CHILD WELFARE REPORTING REQUIREMENTS

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Arizona Revised Statute § 8-526 requires the Arizona Department of Child Safety (DCS) to compile information and produce a semi-annual report for the periods ending on March 31st and September 30th of each year regarding Child Welfare Services. This report is for the semi-annual reporting period beginning on October 1, 2017 and ending March 31, 2018.

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Executive Summary

The Arizona Department of Child Safety (DCS) is committed to achieving safety, permanency and well-being for Arizona's children and families. Driven by this commitment, as well as a desire to be a national leader for child safety through a well-run, efficient, and effective organization based on best practices, DCS developed the 2016-2020 Strategic Plan that outlined a clear and thoughtful approach to accomplishing these goals. Each year the Department refines its strategic goals to adapt to changing needs, successes and opportunities for improvement.

The important task of keeping children safe and strengthening families requires intentional preparation, sequencing of efforts, transparency, accountability, and continuous improvement. The Department's Strategic Plan provides a platform to address current issues and build for the future.

In State Fiscal Year 2018 (FY 2018), DCS outlined five strategic priorities for its strategic plan.

1. Improve timeliness to permanency.
2. Increase the placement of children in a family like setting.
3. Improve employee retention.
4. Develop and implement the agency IT infrastructure.
5. Develop implementation strategy for behavioral health services.

The Department has a cohesive vision that drives the development of strategic priorities to achieve its mission of successfully engaging children and families to ensure safety, strengthen families, and achieve permanency. By improving retention and providing a framework for safety assessment and management, DCS provides tools and resources that lead to high quality assessments. Providing staff with the time and tools to engage with family members leads to decisions about child safety that are consistent and accurate. In turn, accurate decisions lead to the identification of services and resources that are individualized to the family's needs and most likely to result in stronger families and timely permanency for children. Each initiative supports and drives the success of other initiatives.

In order to accomplish these priorities, DCS developed goals and objectives to accomplish the strategic priorities. The FY 2018 Strategic Plan goals, objectives, and accomplishments are outlined below.

GOAL #1: IMPROVE TIMELINESS TO PERMANENCY	
OBJECTIVES	ACCOMPLISHMENTS
Complete Training for investigations and ongoing	All DCS Specialists and Supervisors completed SAFE AZ training by the end of the first quarter of FY18. SAFE AZ is a nationally recognized safety decision making model developed by Action for Child Protection; known as SAFE.
Implement SAFE AZ tools	The model encourages family success by recognizing that each family is unique and every circumstance is different. Informed decisions about child safety are made when sufficient information is gathered about the child and family
Implement statewide field standardization	conditions. Decisions are never made alone, they are made in partnership with parents, youth, extended families,

GOAL #1: IMPROVE TIMELINESS TO PERMANENCY	
OBJECTIVES	**ACCOMPLISHMENTS**
Targeted permanency activities to reduce the number of children in Out-of-Home (OOH) care

Expansion of prevention and intervention services and supports | supervisors and other child welfare experts. DCS provided continued training on safety assessments in February, March and April 2018.

Policies, procedures, forms, training, and supporting documents were updated and finalized through the SAFE AZ model renovation efforts, with technical assistance from Action for Child Protection.

Standardized work is a powerful tool and means all employees are conducting business processes in a consistent manner. In turn, this helps ensure predictable and consistent results. Leader standard work was developed for all leadership and supervisor positions. Over 80 percent of field offices have implemented the standard practices.

The number of children in OOH care has been safely reduced to under 15,000 children for the first time since 2013. There has been a 22 percent reduction from a high of 19,044 children in OOH care in March 2016 to 14,929 in March 2018. DCS has been able to reduce the total number of children in OOH care without experiencing an increase in the number of children re-entering care after being reunified. The rate of re-entry has remained stable throughout this period of reduction of children in OOH care.

The SENSE program continues to expand across Arizona. Initially in Maricopa County, the program is now in Pinal, Yuma, and Yavapai Counties, and most areas of Pima County. As of June 1, 2018, the SENSE program began in Cochise, Mohave, and Coconino Counties.

The Department is also expanding the availability of the Building Resilient Families in-home services to help prevent repeat abuse and/or neglect. |

GOAL #2: INCREASE THE PLACEMENT OF CHILDREN IN A FAMILY LIKE SETTING	
OBJECTIVES	**ACCOMPLISHMENTS**
Refine and implement the foster family recruitment process	The Department has decreased the number of placement moves per 1,000 days from 3.21 in August 2017 to 2.5 in March 2018. In addition to efforts to reduce placement changes, the Department has been successful reducing the number of children in shelter care for more than 21 days by

GOAL #2: INCREASE THE PLACEMENT OF CHILDREN IN A FAMILY LIKE SETTING	
OBJECTIVES	**ACCOMPLISHMENTS**
Implement a standardized statewide placement process	31.4 percent from the previous reporting period at 673 to the current reporting period at 462.
Improve supports to foster care providers	DCS centralized all placement resources under one administration and has begun standardizing the placement process across the State. The streamlined process improves efficiencies and reduces the amount of time it takes to identify a placement upon entry into care.
Refine and implement partnerships with paid placements	DCS continues to place children in family-like settings at a high rate. In March 2018, children in out-of-home care spent 77 percent of their days in care in a family-like setting. This has remained relatively stable across the reporting period, with range from 77.4 percent to 77.0 percent.
Further expand Fostering Sustainable Connections (FSC) IV-E Waiver Project	Since its inception in July 2016, Fostering Sustainable Connections (FSC) received 232 referrals. As of March 2018, 126 of those referrals are currently active and 106 have been completed. There are currently 1,029 actively involved connections of the 4,511 that have been discovered. During the first quarter of CY 2018, 37 Fostering Sustainable Connections referrals were closed. Of these, 18 were closed due to the move to a less restrictive placement. This is a 43% increase from the total as of December 2017. The remainder have been closed due to relatives/supports being unwilling or unable to provide placement.
	DCS is expanding its FSC projects to increase the number of children who can be safely served in-home or in a relative's home by engaging with children in congregate care and their families.

GOAL #3: IMPROVE EMPLOYEE RETENTION	
Objectives	**ACCOMPLISHMENTS**
Refine and implement employee "on boarding" experience	DCS Human Resources standardized the hiring and onboarding process and reduced the time to fill positions.
Define and implement leadership development program for all people leaders	The rolling 12-month attrition for DCS Specialists fell from 32.1 percent in October 2017 to 30 percent in March 2018. Overall Agency attrition was 24.9 percent in March 2018, which was down from 27 percent in October 2017.

GOAL #3: IMPROVE EMPLOYEE RETENTION	
Objectives	ACCOMPLISHMENTS
Establish a culture of safety and support for DCS staff Develop and implement an employee engagement strategy	DCS continues to pursue safety science practices. This approach has changed the culture of assessing and examining critical incidents when they occur moving from blame to accountability and to understand and learn as an organization. This practice sees challenges and problems as opportunities to improve and make systemic adjustments. It promotes an organizational safety culture within DCS by responding to situations in a manner that promotes learning, transparency, and employee health. With technical assistance from Collaborative Safety, DCS personnel participated in Leadership Institute and Leadership Labs in which staff are coached to problem solve through a Safety Science lens. The Workforce Resilience team was developed and will provide supportive responses, upon request, when an employee experiences a difficult case circumstance, the accumulation of workplace stress, and/or personal and family stress.

GOAL #4: DEVELOP AND IMPLEMENT THE AGENCY IT INFRASTRUCTURE	
Objectives	ACCOMPLISHMENTS
Successfully deploy the mobile solution statewide, including field background checks Design and implement safety assessment model in Guardian Implement a data quality plan for Guardian Implement the "Cloud First" strategy.	DCS took an innovative approach to digital transformation by deploying a "mobile first" strategy, allowing more than 1,400 caseworkers to adopt current mobile technology into their practice today and access real-time data and information in the field. The full IT installation plan of Mobile solutions was completed in December 2017. DCS Chief Information Officer, Linda Jewell, was nationally recognized as a recipient of the 2018 CIO 100 award after implementing this mobile technology. The IT data governance and data quality plan has begun and 12 percent has been implemented as of March 2018. The Guardian team was established by hiring experts in all areas critical to the development of the new system (Intake, Assessment, Case Management, Permanency, Provider Management and Finance/Eligibility). User stories have been submitted to inform the development of Guardian to be responsive to user needs. Microsoft Corporation was selected as the Technical Integrator for Guardian and will design, build, test, and ultimately deploy the new Guardian system.

	DCS established a goal of maintaining 90 percent of all DCS managed applications in the 'cloud' by June 2018 and has successfully achieved and maintained that goal since September 2017.

GOAL #5: DEVELOP IMPLEMENTATION STRATEGY FOR BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SERVICES	
Objectives	**ACCOMPLISHMENTS**
Development of a complete integration assessment, transition and recurring costs analysis and legislative change requirements	An independent analysis of an Integrated Health Plan for children in foster care was completed in February 2018. The Department will issue an RFI in FY2019 for an ASO model while CMDP will retain clinical operations and closely related business operations.

In addition to the strategic goals and objectives, the Department works diligently to provide safe, permanent homes for abused and neglected children. DCS has achieved numerous successes and continues to pursue additional improvement opportunities.

Licensed Foster Care, Adoption and Kinship Homes

DCS created the Foster Care and Adoption unit to centralize all the functions that impact the foster care and adoption recruitment process. The objectives are to support and retain licensed and unlicensed foster parents and maintain children's placement stability in a family-like setting. The unit is working to improve case manager and caregiver relationships; build a customer service team; and improve kinship and foster care supports.

Placement stability and family-like settings are always of paramount importance to children and the Department. The Statewide Placement Administration has been working to reduce the number of children in congregate care by identifying youth currently in group homes and searching for kinship placements. FSC continues to expand the Family Finding model to identify kin or fictive kin for older youth and help them to establish long and meaningful relationships and permanent placements. In addition, the Department is working closely with the Arizona Health Care Cost Containment System (AHCCCS) and the Regional Behavioral Health Authorities (RBHA) to review cases of children who have numerous placement changes and take a critical look at the supports and services needed to address the unique needs of these children and achieve placement stability, permanency, and successful transition to adulthood. Furthermore, the review seeks to ensure that the child's current diagnosis is addressed with the identification and delivery of services to the youth and caregiver.

Employee Retention

Turnover of Child Safety Specialists is a challenge to any child welfare agency, given the stressful nature of the work. Facing family crisis and child abuse and neglect on a daily basis can be mentally, physically, and emotionally taxing for DCS Specialists, Case Aides, Supervisors and

Program Managers, as well as the staff who support these positions. Therefore, the Department has adopted several key approaches to help staff better cope and adjust to the strain and pressure that accompanies a child safety worker's responsibilities.

As noted before, DCS has shifted its focus on critical incidents to a culture of safety and is pursing safety science practices. This approach, which has changed the culture of assessing and examining critical incidents when they occur moving from blame to accountability, is helping managers, supervisors and Specialist to feel supported when critical situations arise. This approach involves them in the process to examine and understand what occurred and how we can learn as an organization. It promotes an organizational safety culture within DCS by responding to situations in a manner that promotes learning, transparency, and employee health.

Additionally, DCS created and is implementing the Workforce Resilience team which provides supportive responses, upon request, when an employee experiences a difficult case circumstance, the accumulation of workplace stress, and personal and family stress. This peer-to-peer approach to helping staff cope with difficult and challenging situations will offer a safe and supportive environment with persons who understand their experiences.

The Department requests that employees who are resigning from DCS complete an exit survey. The results of these surveys have found that nearly half of staff who completed the survey are leaving for reason as being 'compensation not competitive' compared to prior surveys that highlighted 'quality supervision/management' as one of the main reasons for leaving employment with the Department. As training and supports for supervisors have improved and focus on coaching for supervisors will develop further in FY 2019, DCS anticipate this trend to continue.

The Department will be outlining new initiatives in FY 2019 to improve employee retention through improved supervision. This objective will define and implement a model and infrastructure for people and practice coaching by Program Supervisors and Program Managers. This will include evaluating the organizational design that supports ongoing coaching for supervisors and managers. It will also provide a structure for continued development of DCS leaders targeting various stages of supervision, from aspiring leaders to experienced leaders. The Department is also planning to develop and implement a training that better prepares staff to be a supervisor on 'day one' so that they start the position with basic supervisory and managerial skills needed to make the transition from Specialist to Supervisor.

Semi-Annual Comparisons

	Oct 2013 through Mar 2014	Apr 2014 through Sep 2014	Oct 2014 through Mar 2015	Apr 2015 through Sep 2015	Oct 2015 through Mar 2016	Apr 2016 through Sep 2016	Oct 2016 through Mar 2017	Apr 2017 through Sep 2017	Oct 2017 through Mar 2018
Number of Reports Received	22,956	25,076	25,508	26,455	24,537	24,787	23,579	24,257	24,093
Number of Reports Substantiated[1]	3,190	3,456	3,535	3,836	3,199	3,042	3,022	3,710	773
Substantiation Rate	14%	14%	14%	15%	13%	13%	13%	15%	3%
Number of Reports Investigated & Closed	11,392	12,038	13,045	15,076	18,771	22,065	22,678	23,591	22,994
Number of Reports Responded to	22,162	24,435	25,182	26,022	24,193	24,403	23,226	23,904	23,670
Number of new removals	5,701	6,461	5,935	6,819	6,141	5,669	5,236	4,331	4,600
Number of new removals with Voluntary under 18	90	189	131	154	107	109	102	152	140
Number of Children in Out-of-Home Care on the Last Day of Reporting Period	15,751	16,990	17,592	18,657	18,906	17,984	16,899	15,840	14,929
Number of Children in Shelter for More than 21 Days	802	868	900	878	974	1,054	875	673	462
Number and Percentage of Children Receiving Visitation In the Last Month of Reporting Period	13,818 (87.7%)	14,846 (87.4%)	15,323 (87.1%)	15,746 (84.4%)	16,985 (89.8%)	16,947 (94.2%)	16,169 (95.7%)	15,180 (95.8%)	14,434 (96.7%)
Number and Percentage of Children not Receiving Visitation	1,933 (12.3%)	2,144 (12.6%)	2,269 (12.9%)	2,911 (15.6%)	1,921 (10.2%)	1,037 (5.8%)	730 (4.3%)	660 (4.2%)	495 (3.3%)
Number and Percentage of Parents Receiving Visitation	1,344 (53.8%)	1,315 (52.0%)	1,372 (55.7%)	1,576 (50.9%)	2,570 (50.0%)	2,563 (48.6%)	2,905 (55.2%)	2,705 (56.5%)	3,287 (64.8%)
Number of Licensed Foster Homes[2]	4,329	4,397	4,497	4,551	4,681	4,596	5,000	4,881	5,213
Number of Foster Home Spaces Available to DCS	9,049	9,061	9,079	9,114	10,337	10,786	11,405	11,092	10,211
Number of New Foster Homes	1,050	756	821	774	882	985	1,071	853	681
Number of Foster Homes Closed	787	822	785	767	871	994	963	1,059	945
Number and Percentage of Foster Homes Receiving Visitation In the Last Qtr. Of Reporting Period [4]	3,689 (85.2%)	3,949 (89.8%)	3,881 (86.3%)	3,925 (86.2%)	4,258 (91.0%)	4,365 (95.0%)	4,969 (99.4%)	4,250 (93.4%)	4,469 (83.6%)
Number and Percentage of Foster Homes not Receiving Visitation[4]	640 (14.8%)	448 (10.2%)	616 (13.7%)	626 (13.8%)	423 (9.0%)	231 (5.0%)	31 (0.6%)	302 (6.6%)	881 (16.4%)
Number of Children Leaving DCS Custody	4,786	5,042	5,063	5,555	5,668	6,377	6,153	5,874	5,412
Number of Children With a Case Plan Goal of Adoption	3,417	3,377	3,449	3,878	4,224	4,623	4,790	4,677	4,476
Number of Children With a Finalized Adoption	1,518	1,552	1,629	1,576	1,727	1,936	2,195	2,110	1,932

[1] Since the appeals process delays the substantiation of reports, revisions to the substantiation rate for the prior reporting period will occur with every semi-annual report produced.

[2] The number of available foster homes includes homes reported by the Department's Home Recruitment, Study and Supervision contractors along with foster homes utilized for appropriate children in coordination with the Division of Developmental Disabilities.

[3] The report run date was June 02, 2018.

[4] Data is provided by HRSS provider agencies.

Reports of Child Abuse & Neglect

Child abuse and neglect are defined in A.R.S. §8-201 and A.R.S. §13-3623(A). These definitions provide the major categories in this report.

Between October 1, 2017 and March 31, 2018, there were 24,093 incoming communications to the Child Abuse Hotline that met the criteria for a report of abuse or neglect. Of these, 423 were within the jurisdiction of military or tribal governments and were referred to those jurisdictions. Compared to one year ago, there has been a 2.2 percent increase in reports received by the Child Abuse Hotline meeting the criteria of a report of abuse or neglect.

Table 1 shows the number of reports received by the Department by category of maltreatment for the current and past reporting periods. The Department continues to examine current Child Abuse Hotline policies and procedures to improve objectivity within screening tools and improve inter-rater reliability.

TABLE 1
REPORTS BY REPORTING PERIOD AND TYPE OF MALTREATMENT

	Neglect	Physical Abuse	Sexual Abuse	Emotional Abuse	Total
October 2012 – March 2013	14,916 67.2%	6,263 28.3%	815 3.7%	167 0.8%	22,161 100.0%
April 2013 – September 2013	15,560 70.6%	5,607 25.5%	731 3.3%	134 0.6%	22,032 100.0%
October 2013 – March 2014	15,766 68.7%	6,248 27.2%	772 3.4%	170 0.7%	22,956 100.0%
April 2014 – September 2014	18,022 71.9%	6,074 24.2%	847 3.4%	133 0.5%	25,076 100.0%
October 2014 – March 2015	18,338 71.9%	6,254 24.5%	787 3.1%	129 0.5%	25,508 100.0%
April 2015 – September 2015	19,276 72.9%	6,086 23.0%	954 3.6%	139 0.5%	26,455 100.0%
October 2015 – March 2016	17,493 71.3%	6,089 24.8%	788 3.2%	167 0.7%	24,537 100.0%
April 2016 – September 2016	17,415 70.3%	6,206 25.0%	1,030 4.2%	136 0.5%	24,787 100.0%
October 2016 – March 2017	16,295 69.1%	6,221 26.4%	950 4.0%	113 0.5%	23,579 100.0%
April 2017 – September 2017	17,330 71.4%	5,767 23.8%	1,030 4.3%	130 0.5%	24,257 100.0%
October 2017 – March 2018	16,744 69.5%	6,293 26.1%	935 3.9%	121 0.5%	24,093 100.0%

Chart 1 illustrates that the number of reports received by the Centralized Intake Hotline has decreased by 164 reports over the prior reporting period.

CHART 1
REPORTS OF CHILD ABUSE AND NEGLECT BY REPORTING PERIOD

Reporting Period	Reports
October 2013 – March 2014	22,956
April 2014 - September 2014	25,076
October 2014 – March 2015	25,508
April 2015 - September 2015	26,455
October 2015 - March 2016	24,537
April 2016 - September 2016	24,787
October 2016 - March 2017	23,579
April 2017 - September 2017	24,257
October 2017 - March 2018	24,093
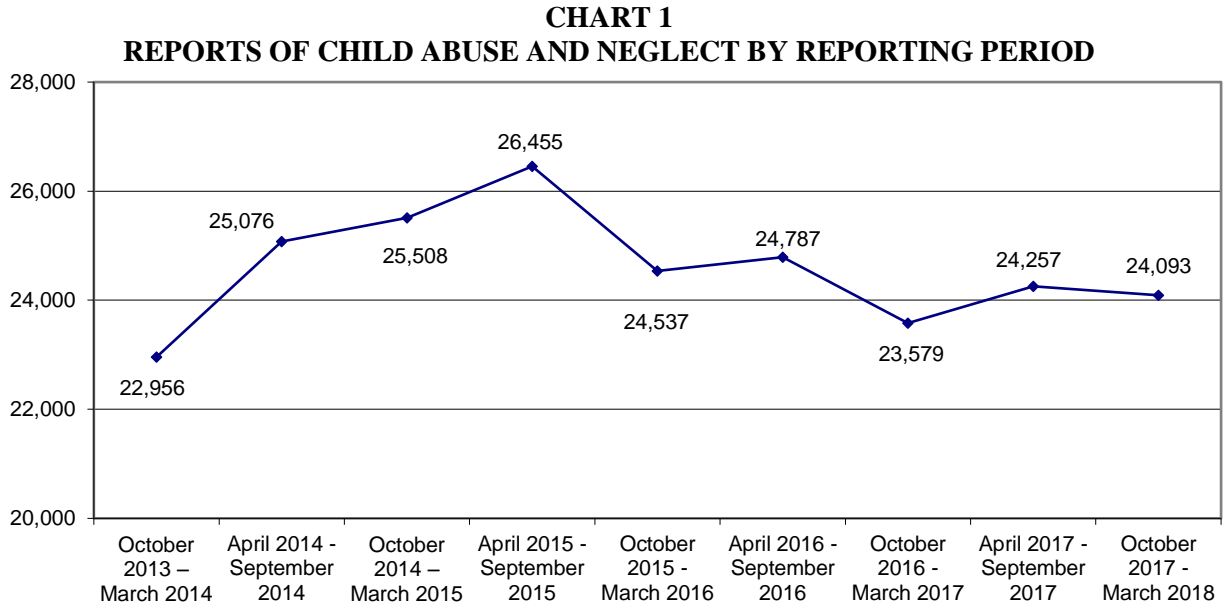
The Centralized Intake Hotline received a total of 80,004 calls offered during the reporting period. 3,046 were abandoned before the Specialist answered. 24,093 calls met the statutory requirements for abuse and neglect. A random sample was selected from 52,865 communications to represent the types of calls that do not get classified as reports of abuse and neglect. This random sample is contained in the chart below.

CHART 2
SAMPLE OF COMMUNICATIONS TO THE CENTRALIZED INTAKE HOTLINE THAT DO NOT MEET THE STATUTORY REQUIREMENTS OF A REPORT OF ABUSE OR NEGLECT

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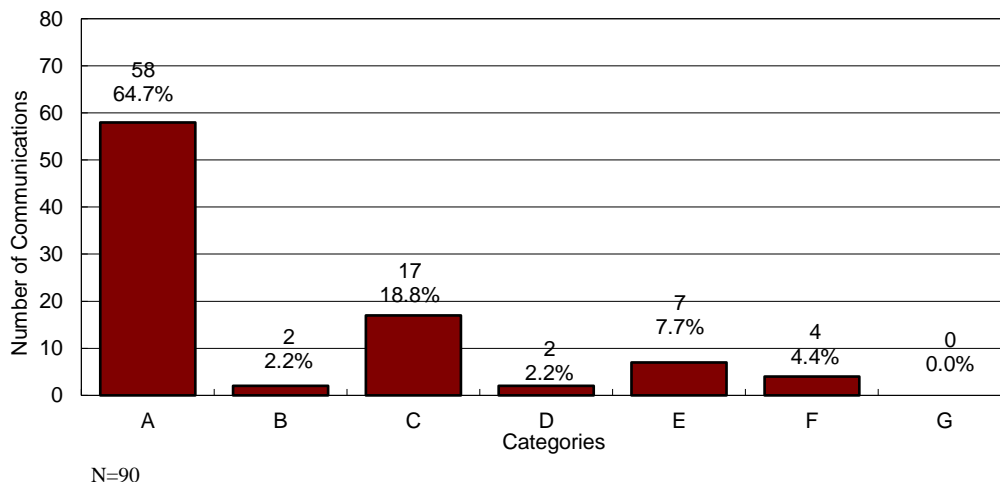
A = Concern Only/No Allegation of Child Abuse or Neglect
B = Out of DCS Jurisdiction
C = Call Appropriate for Law Enforcement Jurisdiction[3]
D = Non-Caretaker Neglect/Child No Longer at Risk
E = Insufficient Information
F = Truancy/Custody Issues
G = Current Case Questions or Referrals

The Department shall ensure accurate assessments and proper classification of communications containing concerns of abuse or neglect of a child which have been determined not to meet statutory criteria for a DCS report by performing weekly quality assurance reviews of these communications.

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[3] The category "Call Appropriate for Law Enforcement Jurisdiction" refers to a situation where the alleged perpetrator is not a parent or primary caretaker and the allegations, if true, would constitute a crime.

Chart 3 below provides information on the number of reports that met each of the Centralized Intake Hotline priority classifications in the current and past reporting periods. In Table 2 and Table 3, data on total reports by priority is shown by county for the current and previous reporting periods. The priority determinations are made by personnel at the Child Abuse Hotline after the review of multiple factors, however, below is a high level summary of each response time criteria.

PRIORITY 1: Death of a child, near fatality, abuse or neglect that threatens to immediately cause, or has caused, serious harm or death, Serious physical injuries to a child (including but not limited to fractures, burns, multiple plane injuries, acceleration/deceleration injuries [shaken baby syndrome], injury to internal organs, etc.), child is alone and is not capable of caring for self or other children, evidence or disclosure of sexual abuse toward a child and the perpetrator has access to the child or the perpetrator is unknown, Substance Exposed Newborn (SEN) who is expected to be discharged from the hospital within 24 hours; [1]

PRIORITY 2: Abuse or neglect of a child age 0-3, Abuse or neglect of a vulnerable child, and the child or perpetrator has been the subject of a prior report (this includes the child as a victim in a prior report or the adult as a perpetrator in a prior report), All criminal conduct allegations not requiring a Priority 1 response;

PRIORITY 3: Abuse or neglect of a child that occurred within the last 12 months and does not require a Priority 1 or 2 response; and

PRIORITY 4: Private Dependency Petition, abuse or neglect that has occurred over one year ago and does not require a Priority 1, 2 or 3 response.

CHART 3
NUMBER OF REPORTS RECEIVED BY PRIORITY
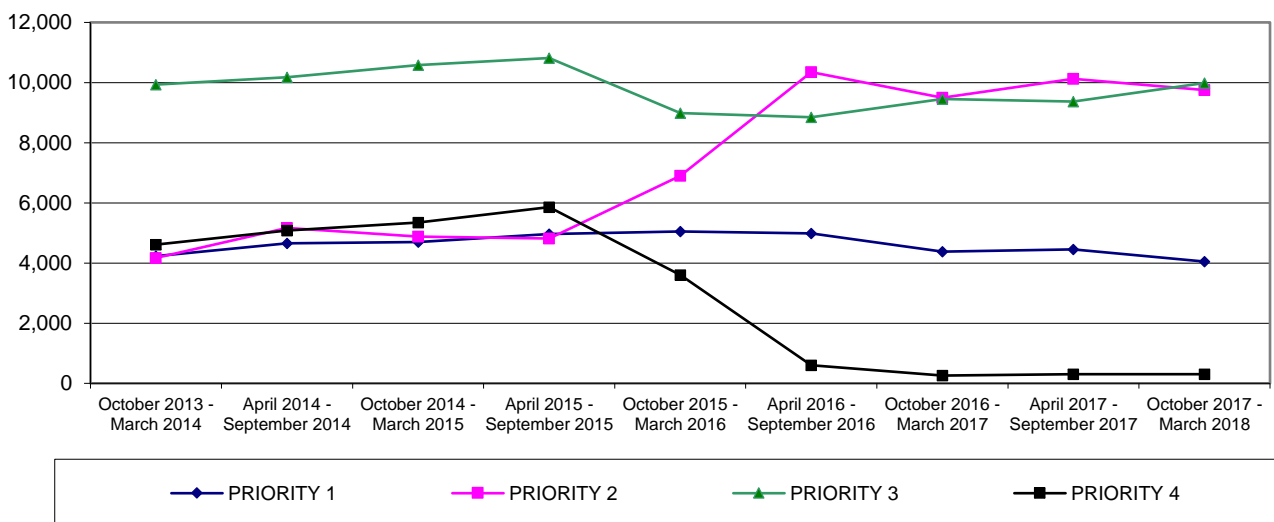
As of February 1, 2016, the definition for each priority level changed. Data from this report and all future reports will use these new definitions.

TABLE 2
NUMBER OF REPORTS RECEIVED BY PRIORITY AND COUNTY FOR PERIOD OF
OCTOBER 1, 2017 THROUGH MARCH 31, 2018

COUNTY	PRIORITY 1	PRIORITY 2	PRIORITY 3	PRIORITY 4	TOTAL	% OF TOTAL
APACHE	13	50	47	2	112	0.5%
COCHISE	60	187	208	3	458	1.9%
COCONINO	70	166	211	6	453	1.9%
GILA	39	103	78	2	222	0.9%
GRAHAM	27	77	69	0	173	0.7%
GREENLEE	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
LA PAZ	27	22	27	1	77	0.3%
MARICOPA	2,515	5,697	5,941	202	14,355	59.6%
MOHAVE	168	307	266	0	741	3.1%
NAVAJO	72	158	148	2	380	1.6%
PIMA	571	1,925	1,842	40	4,378	18.2%
PINAL	252	556	618	39	1,465	6.1%
SANTA CRUZ	15	27	32	0	74	0.3%
YAVAPAI	111	290	281	9	691	2.8%
YUMA	109	184	218	3	514	2.1%
STATEWIDE	4,049	9,749	9,986	309	24,093	100%
% OF TOTAL	16.8%	40.5%	41.4%	1.3%	100%	

TABLE 3
NUMBER OF REPORTS RECEIVED BY PRIORITY AND COUNTY FOR PERIOD OF
APRIL 1, 2017 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2017

COUNTY	PRIORITY 1	PRIORITY 2	PRIORITY 3	PRIORITY 4	TOTAL	% OF TOTAL
APACHE	13	57	39	0	109	0.5%
COCHISE	77	159	205	2	443	1.8%
COCONINO	80	194	171	6	451	1.9%
GILA	49	113	71	2	235	0.9%
GRAHAM	42	72	61	1	176	0.7%
GREENLEE	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
LA PAZ	15	28	20	0	63	0.3%
MARICOPA	2,731	5,759	5,382	209	14,081	58.1%
MOHAVE	162	371	282	0	815	3.4%
NAVAJO	75	169	134	1	379	1.6%
PIMA	627	1,941	1,869	43	4,480	18.5%
PINAL	333	691	638	29	1,691	6.8%
SANTA CRUZ	16	40	39	0	95	0.4%
YAVAPAI	104	313	285	7	709	2.9%
YUMA	133	216	178	3	530	2.2%
STATEWIDE	4,457	10,123	9,374	303	24,257	100%
% OF TOTAL	18.4%	41.7%	38.6%	1.3%	100%	

The following chart and tables provide the number of reports categorized by type of maltreatment. The total number of reports received by type of maltreatment is displayed in Chart 4. In Table 4 and Table 5 data on the total reports by type of maltreatment are shown by county for the current and previous reporting periods.

CHART 4
NUMBER OF REPORTS RECEIVED BY TYPE OF MALTREATMENT
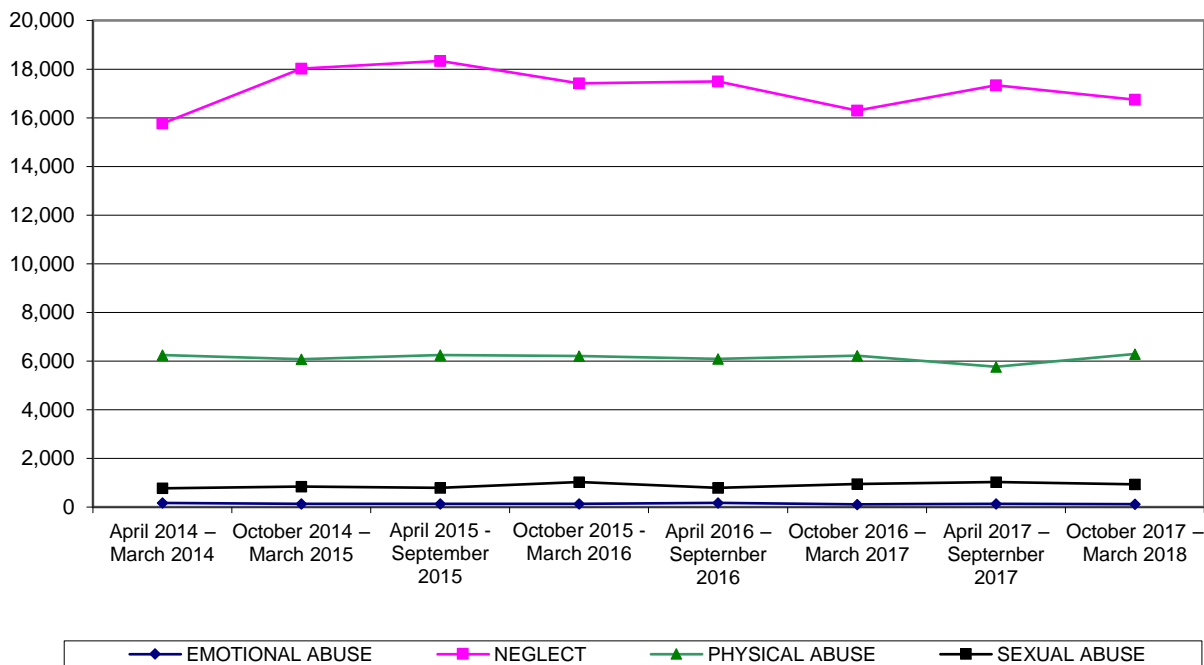
TABLE 4
NUMBER OF REPORTS RECEIVED BY TYPE OF MALTREATMENT AND COUNTY FOR PERIOD OF OCTOBER 1, 2017 THROUGH MARCH 31, 2018

COUNTY	EMOTIONAL ABUSE	NEGLECT	PHYSICAL ABUSE	SEXUAL ABUSE	TOTAL	% OF TOTAL
APACHE	1	83	23	5	112	0.5%
COCHISE	1	314	123	20	458	1.9%
COCONINO	6	323	109	15	453	1.9%
GILA	0	168	43	11	222	0.9%
GRAHAM	0	131	37	5	173	0.7%
GREENLEE	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
LA PAZ	0	59	16	2	77	0.3%
MARICOPA	63	9,762	3,975	555	14,355	59.6%
MOHAVE	4	562	156	19	741	3.1%
NAVAJO	2	286	77	15	380	1.6%
PIMA	30	3,158	1,043	147	4,378	18.2%
PINAL	11	1,000	390	64	1,465	6.1%
SANTA CRUZ	0	48	19	7	74	0.3%
YAVAPAI	2	498	153	38	691	2.8%
YUMA	1	352	129	32	514	2.1%
STATEWIDE	121	16,744	6,293	935	24,093	100%
% OF TOTAL	0.5%	69.5%	26.1%	3.9%	100%	

TABLE 5
NUMBER OF REPORTS RECEIVED BY TYPE OF MALTREATMENT AND COUNTY FOR PERIOD OF APRIL 1, 2017 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2017

COUNTY	EMOTIONAL ABUSE	NEGLECT	PHYSICAL ABUSE	SEXUAL ABUSE	TOTAL	% OF TOTAL
APACHE	0	81	24	4	109	0.4%
COCHISE	3	320	104	16	443	1.8%
COCONINO	4	340	94	13	451	1.9%
GILA	0	179	42	14	235	0.9%
GRAHAM	1	135	30	10	176	0.7%
GREENLEE	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
LA PAZ	0	51	10	2	63	0.3%
MARICOPA	76	9,912	3,474	619	14,081	58.0%
MOHAVE	1	599	177	38	815	3.4%
NAVAJO	1	286	77	15	379	1.6%
PIMA	29	3,266	1,019	166	4,480	18.5%
PINAL	6	1,186	412	87	1,691	7%
SANTA CRUZ	2	62	29	2	95	0.4%
YAVAPAI	2	534	154	19	709	2.9%
YUMA	5	379	121	25	530	2.2%
STATEWIDE	130	17,330	5,767	1,030	24,257	100.0%
% OF TOTAL	0.5%	71.5%	23.8%	4.2%	100.0%	■

ASSIGNMENT OF INVESTIGATIONS

The following tables and charts in this section provide statewide and county level information for reports assigned to DCS (excluding those that fell within the jurisdiction of military or tribal governments). Of these, DCS completed 22,994 (97.1 percent) of their assigned investigations. Those not completed remain open when the investigation is still in process, when the specialist is waiting for the results of a law enforcement investigation and/or receipt of records that impact the investigation finding, or when the investigation has been completed but is awaiting supervisory review and approval.

CHART 5
NUMBER OF REPORTS ASSIGNED FOR INVESTIGATION BY PRIORITY AND REPORTING PERIOD
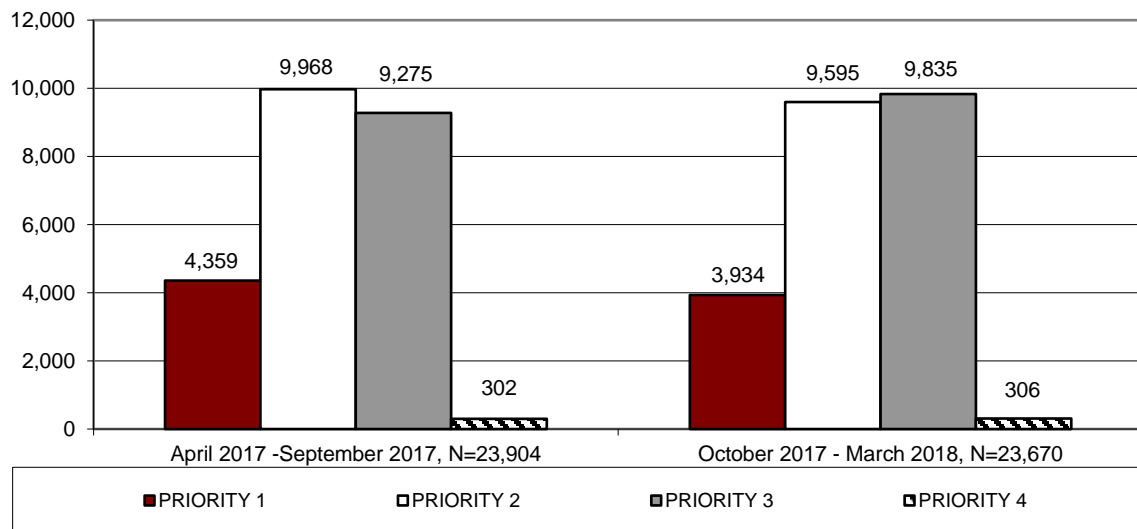
TABLE 6
NUMBER OF REPORTS ASSIGNED FOR INVESTIGATION BY PRIORITY AND COUNTY
FOR PERIOD OF OCTOBER 1, 2017 THROUGH MARCH 31, 2018

COUNTY	PRIORITY 1	PRIORITY 2	PRIORITY 3	PRIORITY 4	TOTAL	% OF TOTAL
APACHE	9	34	30	1	74	0.3%
COCHISE	60	187	208	3	458	1.9%
COCONINO	57	140	183	6	386	1.6%
GILA	34	87	66	1	188	0.8%
GRAHAM	22	75	56	0	153	0.7%
GREENLEE	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
LA PAZ	15	15	20	1	51	0.2%
MARICOPA	2,499	5,672	5,932	202	14,305	60.4%
MOHAVE	161	304	263	0	728	3.1%
NAVAJO	43	134	126	1	304	1.3%
PIMA	563	1,905	1,824	40	4,332	18.3%
PINAL	243	546	606	39	1,434	6.1%
SANTA CRUZ	14	27	32	0	73	0.3%
YAVAPAI	106	285	271	9	671	2.8%
YUMA	108	184	218	3	513	2.2%
STATEWIDE	3,934	9,595	9,835	306	23,670	100%
% OF TOTAL	16.6%	40.5%	41.6%	1.3%	100%	

TABLE 7
NUMBER OF REPORTS ASSIGNED FOR INVESTIGATION BY PRIORITY AND COUNTY
FOR PERIOD OF APRIL 1, 2017 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2017

COUNTY	PRIORITY 1	PRIORITY 2	PRIORITY 3	PRIORITY 4	TOTAL	% OF TOTAL
APACHE	6	41	30	0	77	0.3%
COCHISE	77	159	205	2	443	1.9%
COCONINO	69	169	149	6	393	1.6%
GILA	40	102	64	2	208	0.9%
GRAHAM	41	67	61	1	170	0.7%
GREENLEE	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
LA PAZ	11	23	15	0	49	0.2%
MARICOPA	2,720	5,738	5,378	209	14,045	58.9%
MOHAVE	158	365	277	0	800	3.3%
NAVAJO	49	145	121	1	316	1.3%
PIMA	617	1,918	1,850	42	4,427	18.5%
PINAL	320	681	626	29	1,656	6.9%
SANTA CRUZ	16	40	39	0	95	0.4%
YAVAPAI	103	305	282	7	697	2.9%
YUMA	132	215	178	3	528	2.2%
STATEWIDE	4,359	9,968	9,275	302	23,904	100%
% OF TOTAL	18.2%	41.7%	38.8%	1.3%	100%	

CHART 6
NUMBER OF REPORTS ASSIGNED FOR INVESTIGATION BY TYPE OF MALTREATMENT AND REPORTING PERIOD
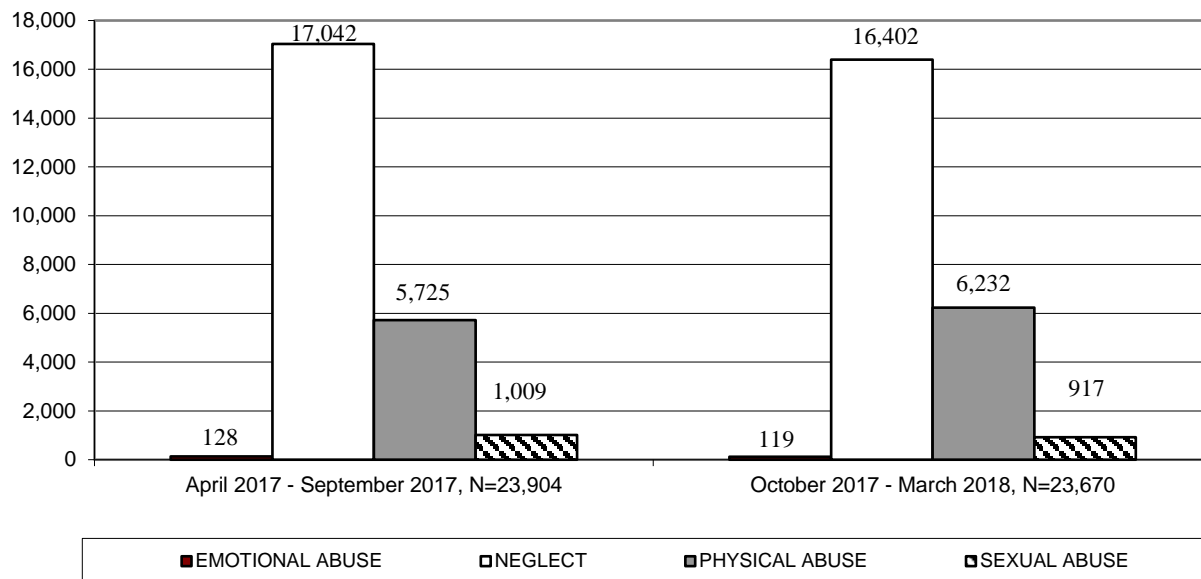
TABLE 8
NUMBER OF REPORTS ASSIGNED FOR INVESTIGATION BY TYPE OF MALTREATMENT AND COUNTY FOR PERIOD OF OCTOBER 1, 2017 THROUGH MARCH 31, 2018

COUNTY	EMOTIONAL ABUSE	NEGLECT	PHYSICAL ABUSE	SEXUAL ABUSE	TOTAL	% OF TOTAL
APACHE	1	50	18	5	74	0.3%
COCHISE	1	314	123	20	458	1.9%
COCONINO	5	269	97	15	386	1.6%
GILA	0	138	40	10	188	0.8%
GRAHAM	0	115	33	5	153	0.7%
GREENLEE	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
LA PAZ	0	35	14	2	51	0.2%
MARICOPA	63	9,724	3,968	550	14,305	60.4%
MOHAVE	4	552	154	18	728	3.1%
NAVAJO	2	224	67	11	304	1.3%
PIMA	30	3,120	1,036	146	4,332	18.3%
PINAL	10	980	384	60	1,434	6.1%
SANTA CRUZ	0	47	19	7	73	0.3%
YAVAPAI	2	482	150	37	671	2.8%
YUMA	1	352	129	31	513	2.2%
STATEWIDE	119	16,402	6,232	917	23,670	100%
% OF TOTAL	0.5%	69.3%	26.3%	3.9%	100%	

TABLE 9
NUMBER OF REPORTS ASSIGNED FOR INVESTIGATION BY TYPE OF MALTREATMENT
AND COUNTY FOR PERIOD OF APRIL 1, 2017 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2017

COUNTY	EMOTIONAL ABUSE	NEGLECT	PHYSICAL ABUSE	SEXUAL ABUSE	TOTAL	% OF TOTAL
APACHE	0	56	19	2	77	0.3%
COCHISE	3	320	104	16	443	1.9%
COCONINO	4	292	88	9	393	1.6%
GILA	0	158	37	13	208	0.9%
GRAHAM	1	129	30	10	170	0.7%
GREENLEE	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
LA PAZ	0	39	8	2	49	0.2%
MARICOPA	76	9,884	3,466	619	14,045	58.9%
MOHAVE	0	587	177	36	800	3.3%
NAVAJO	0	230	74	12	316	1.3%
PIMA	29	3,223	1,014	161	4,427	18.5%
PINAL	6	1,158	408	84	1,656	6.9%
SANTA CRUZ	2	62	29	2	95	0.4%
YAVAPAI	2	526	151	18	697	2.9%
YUMA	5	378	120	25	528	2.2%
STATEWIDE	128	17,042	5,725	1,009	23,904	100.0%
% OF TOTAL	0.5%	71.4%	23.9%	4.2%	100.0%	

INVESTIGATIONS OF CHILD ABUSE AND NEGLECT

TABLE 10
NUMBER OF REPORTS WITHOUT RESPONSE BY PRIORITY AND COUNTY FOR PERIOD
OF OCTOBER 1, 2017 THROUGH MARCH 31, 2018

COUNTY	PRIORITY 1	PRIORITY 2	PRIORITY 3	PRIORITY 4	TOTAL	% OF TOTAL
APACHE	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
COCHISE	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
COCONINO	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
GILA	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
GRAHAM	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
GREENLEE	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
LA PAZ	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
MARICOPA	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
MOHAVE	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
NAVAJO	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
PIMA	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
PINAL	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
SANTA CRUZ	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
YAVAPAI	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
YUMA	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
STATEWIDE	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
% OF TOTAL	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	

By statute, DCS is required to provide the "number of reports not responded to, by priority, by county and statewide. The report shall include a description of some of these cases as chosen by random sample." This sample is to describe why the Department did not respond to a report regardless of whether the response was mitigated, timely or aggravated. As all reports were responded to during this period, there is no data to be displayed in Chart 7 or Table 10. Chart 7 would have displayed the reports in brief descriptive categories.

All reports were responded to during this reporting period. Therefore, no data will be displayed in Chart 7 below.

CHART 7
NUMBER OF REPORTS WITHOUT RESPONSE DATA BY CATEGORY FOR THE PERIOD OF
OCTOBER 1, 2017 THROUGH MARCH 31, 2018

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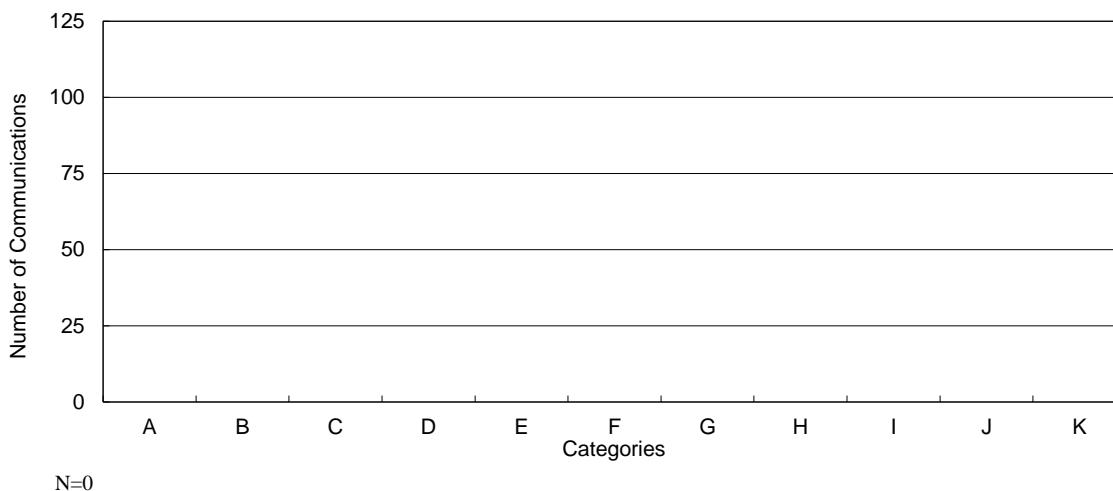
A = Adolescent, Past Abuse, No Current Injuries	**G = Non-adolescent, current minor injuries**
B = Inadequate Housekeeping Standards	**H = Poor parenting skills**
C = Inappropriate Vehicle Operation	**I = Left with inappropriate caregiver**
D = No Specific Allegations	**J = Law Enforcement Issue**
E = Past Abuse no current injuries	**K = Out of Control Teenager**
F = Adolescent, current minor injuries	

CHART 8
NUMBER OF REPORTS ASSIGNED FOR INVESTIGATION BY PRIORITY AND REPORTING PERIOD FOR REPORTS OPEN FOR INVESTIGATION
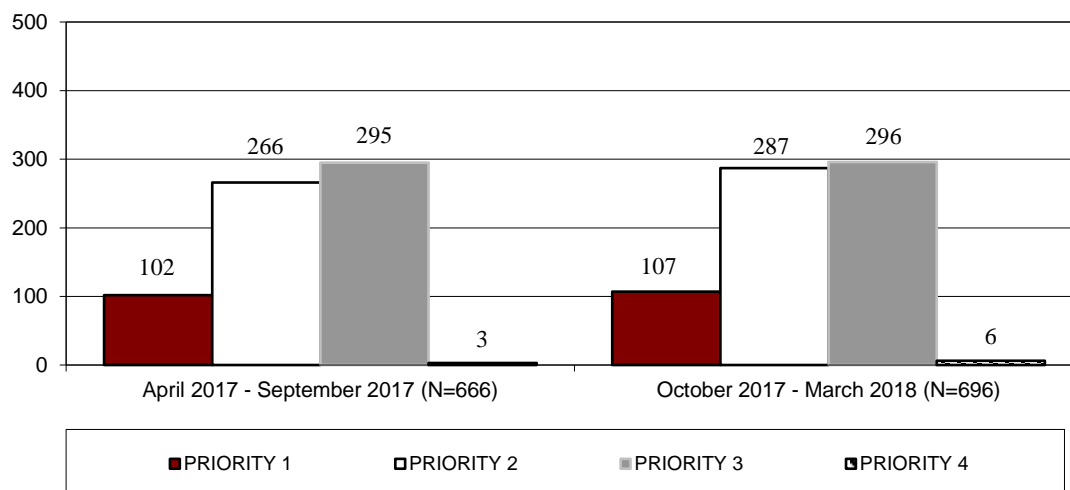
The Department worked diligently to reduce the total number backlog cases and overdue investigations. This effort has led to a significant reduction in overall open reports as noted previously and thus has demonstrated a significant decrease in the number of reports assigned for investigation by priority for reports open for investigation compared to the prior reporting period.

TABLE 11
NUMBER OF REPORTS BY PRIORITY AND COUNTY FOR REPORTS OPEN FOR INVESTIGATION FOR PERIOD OF OCTOBER 1, 2017 THROUGH MARCH 31, 2018

COUNTY	PRIORITY 1	PRIORITY 2	PRIORITY 3	PRIORITY 4	TOTAL	% OF TOTAL
APACHE	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
COCHISE	12	26	35	1	74	10.7%
COCONINO	3	9	16	0	28	4.0%
GILA	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
GRAHAM	0	6	1	0	7	1.0%
GREENLEE	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
LA PAZ	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
MARICOPA	59	127	130	4	320	46.0%
MOHAVE	2	8	6	0	16	2.3%
NAVAJO	0	1	0	0	1	0.1%
PIMA	27	89	82	1	199	28.6%
PINAL	1	9	11	0	21	3.0%
SANTA CRUZ	0	1	0	0	1	0.1%
YAVAPAI	2	9	13	0	24	3.5%
YUMA	1	2	2	0	5	0.7%
STATEWIDE	107	287	296	6	696	100%
% OF TOTAL	15.4%	41.2%	42.5%	0.9%	100%	

TABLE 12
NUMBER OF REPORTS BY PRIORITY AND COUNTY FOR REPORTS OPEN FOR INVESTIGATION FOR PERIOD OF APRIL 1, 2017 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2017

COUNTY	PRIORITY 1	PRIORITY 2	PRIORITY 3	PRIORITY 4	TOTAL	% OF TOTAL
APACHE	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
COCHISE	2	5	16	0	23	3.5%
COCONINO	0	7	8	1	16	2.4%
GILA	0	3	2	0	5	0.8%
GRAHAM	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
GREENLEE	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
LA PAZ	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
MARICOPA	80	166	179	0	425	63.8%
MOHAVE	1	6	6	0	13	2.0%
NAVAJO	0	0	1	0	1	0.1%
PIMA	8	48	50	0	106	15.9%
PINAL	10	18	28	2	58	8.7%
SANTA CRUZ	0	5	2	0	7	1.0%
YAVAPAI	0	7	1	0	8	1.2%
YUMA	1	1	2	0	4	0.6%
STATEWIDE	102	266	295	3	666	100.0%
% OF TOTAL	15.3%	39.9%	44.3%	0.5%	100.0%	

CHART 9
**NUMBER OF REPORTS ASSIGNED FOR INVESTIGATION BY TYPE OF MALTREATMENT
FOR REPORTS OPEN FOR INVESTIGATION**
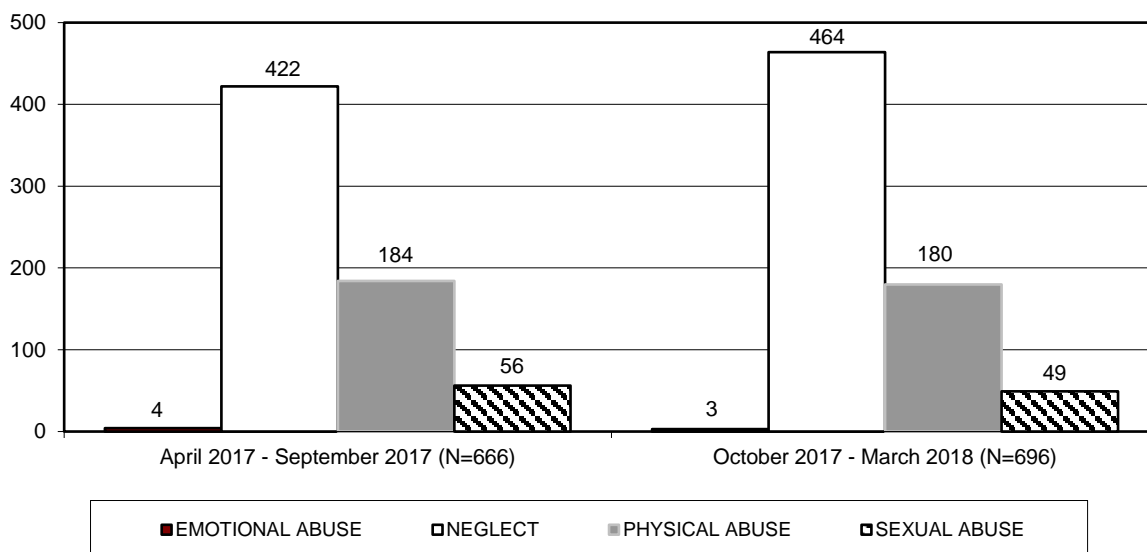
The number of reports assigned for investigation for reports open for investigation will change each reporting period as investigations are completed and closed by next reporting period.

TABLE 13
**NUMBER OF REPORTS BY TYPE OF MALTREATMENT AND COUNTY FOR REPORTS
OPEN FOR INVESTIGATION FOR PERIOD OF
OCTOBER 1, 2017 THROUGH MARCH 31, 2018**

COUNTY	EMOTIONAL ABUSE	NEGLECT	PHYSICAL ABUSE	SEXUAL ABUSE	TOTAL	% OF TOTAL
APACHE	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
COCHISE	0	54	16	4	74	10.6%
COCONINO	1	18	7	2	28	4.0%
GILA	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
GRAHAM	0	6	1	0	7	1.0%
GREENLEE	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
LA PAZ	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
MARICOPA	1	202	88	29	320	46.0%
MOHAVE	0	12	4	0	16	2.3%
NAVAJO	0	1	0	0	1	0.1%
PIMA	1	139	48	11	199	28.6%
PINAL	0	10	9	2	21	3.0%
SANTA CRUZ	0	0	1	0	1	0.2%
YAVAPAI	0	18	5	1	24	3.5%
YUMA	0	4	1	0	5	0.7%
STATEWIDE	3	464	180	49	696	100%
% OF TOTAL	0.4%	66.7%	25.9%	7.0%	100%	

TABLE 14
NUMBER OF REPORTS BY TYPE OF MALTREATMENT AND COUNTY FOR REPORTS
OPEN FOR INVESTIGATION FOR PERIOD OF

COUNTY	EMOTIONAL ABUSE	NEGLECT	PHYSICAL ABUSE	SEXUAL ABUSE	TOTAL	% OF TOTAL
APACHE	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
COCHISE	0	15	8	0	23	3.5%
COCONINO	0	15	1	0	16	2.4%
GILA	0	4	1	0	5	0.8%
GRAHAM	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
GREENLEE	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
LA PAZ	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
MARICOPA	3	265	118	39	425	63.8%
MOHAVE	0	4	8	1	13	2.0%
NAVAJO	0	1	0	0	1	0.1%
PIMA	1	70	29	6	106	15.9%
PINAL	0	35	13	10	58	8.7%
SANTA CRUZ	0	3	4	0	7	1.0%
YAVAPAI	0	7	1	0	8	1.2%
YUMA	0	3	1	0	4	0.6%
STATEWIDE	4	422	184	56	666	100.0%
% OF TOTAL	0.6%	63.4%	27.6%	8.4%	100.0%	

CHART 10
NUMBER OF REPORTS ASSIGNED FOR INVESTIGATION WHERE A REMOVAL
OCCURRED

APACHE	4
COCHISE	37
COCONINO	33
GILA	15
GRAHAM	10
GREENLEE	0
LA PAZ	4
MARICOPA	1394
MOHAVE	117
NAVAJO	16
PIMA	507
PINAL	175
SANTA CRUZ	6
YAVAPAI	55
YUMA	51

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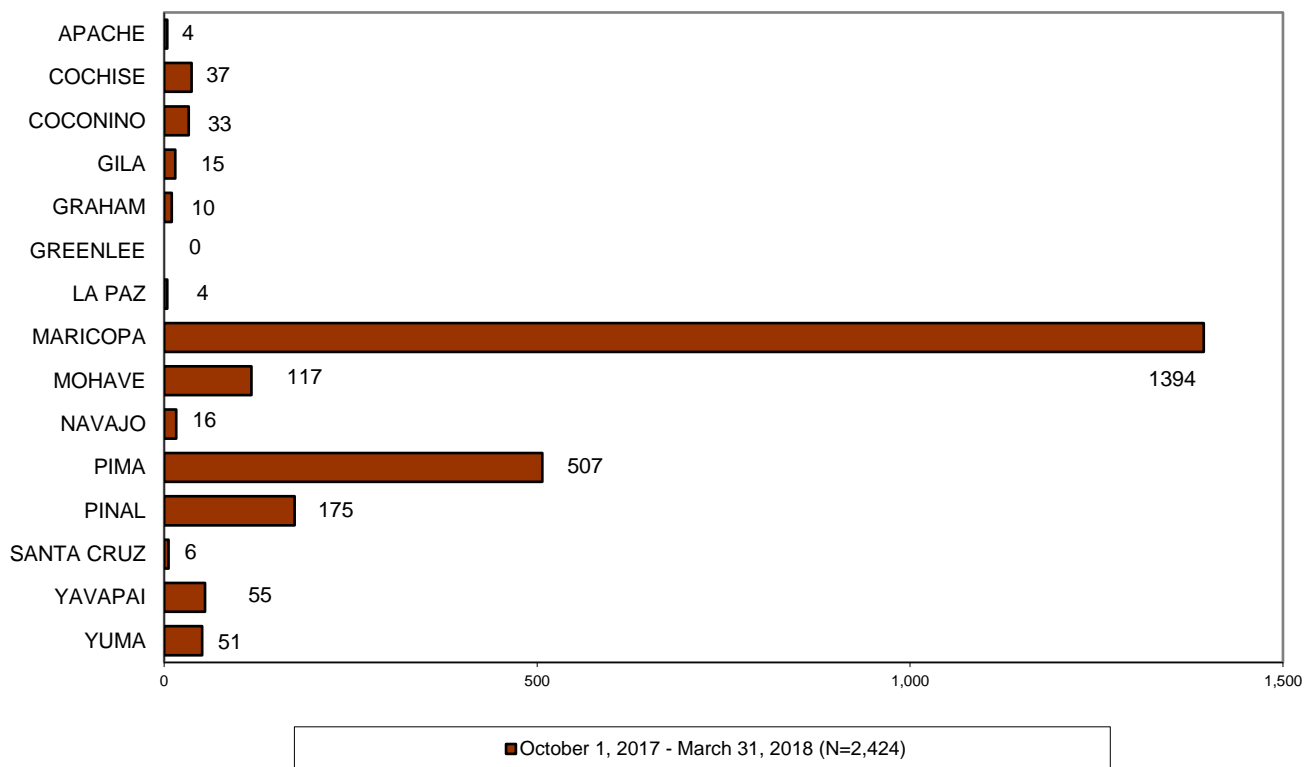
TABLE 15
NUMBER OF REPORTS ASSIGNED FOR INVESTIGATION BY COUNTY WHERE A REMOVAL OCCURRED FOR THE PERIOD
OCTOBER 1, 2017 THROUGH MARCH 31, 2018

COUNTY	NUMBER OF REPORTS ASSIGNED	NUMBER OF REPORTS ASSIGNED WITH A REMOVAL	% OF REPORTS WHERE A CHILD REMOVED
APACHE	74	4	5.4%
COCHISE	458	37	8.1%
COCONINO	386	33	8.5%
GILA	188	15	8.0%
GRAHAM	153	10	6.5%
GREENLEE	0	0	0.0%
LA PAZ	51	4	7.8%
MARICOPA	14,305	1,394	9.7%
MOHAVE	728	117	16.1%
NAVAJO	304	16	5.3%
PIMA	4,332	507	11.7%
PINAL	1,434	175	12.2%
SANTA CRUZ	73	6	8.2%
YAVAPAI	671	55	8.2%
YUMA	513	51	9.9%
STATEWIDE	23,670	2,424	10.2%

TABLE 16
NUMBER OF REPORTS ASSIGNED FOR INVESTIGATION BY COUNTY WHERE A REMOVAL OCCURRED FOR THE PERIOD
APRIL 1, 2017 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2017

COUNTY	NUMBER OF REPORTS ASSIGNED	NUMBER OF REPORTS ASSIGNED WITH A REMOVAL	% OF REPORTS WHERE A CHILD REMOVED
APACHE	77	8	10.4%
COCHISE	443	36	8.1%
COCONINO	393	35	8.9%
GILA	208	23	11.1%
GRAHAM	170	23	13.5%
GREENLEE	0	0	0.0%
LA PAZ	49	5	10.2%
MARICOPA	14,045	1,568	11.2%
MOHAVE	800	113	14.1%
NAVAJO	316	23	7.3%
PIMA	4,427	474	10.7%
PINAL	1,656	202	12.2%
SANTA CRUZ	95	11	11.6%
YAVAPAI	697	80	11.5%
YUMA	528	46	8.7%
STATEWIDE	23,904	2,647	11.1%

COMPLETED INVESTIGATIONS

A substantiated report occurs when the Department has determined that at least one of the allegations in the report of abuse and/or neglect is true. The number of reports that are considered substantiated are a subset of the total number of reports that were received, investigated, and closed during the reporting period.

The preliminary number of reports that are substantiated for the current reporting period is 773. For the prior reporting period, the number of reports that were assigned for investigation that resulted in substantiated findings was revised from 497 to 3,710. This number will change each reporting period as a result of subsequent decisions based on parents' rights to due process as well as the completion of investigations and findings. As noted previously, the number of removals this reporting have decreased but the preliminary number of reports that are substantiated may also be a result of the high volume of cases still requiring review by the Protective Services Review Team and cases awaiting trial in Juvenile Court.

CHART 11
SUBSTANTIATION RATE BY REPORTING PERIOD
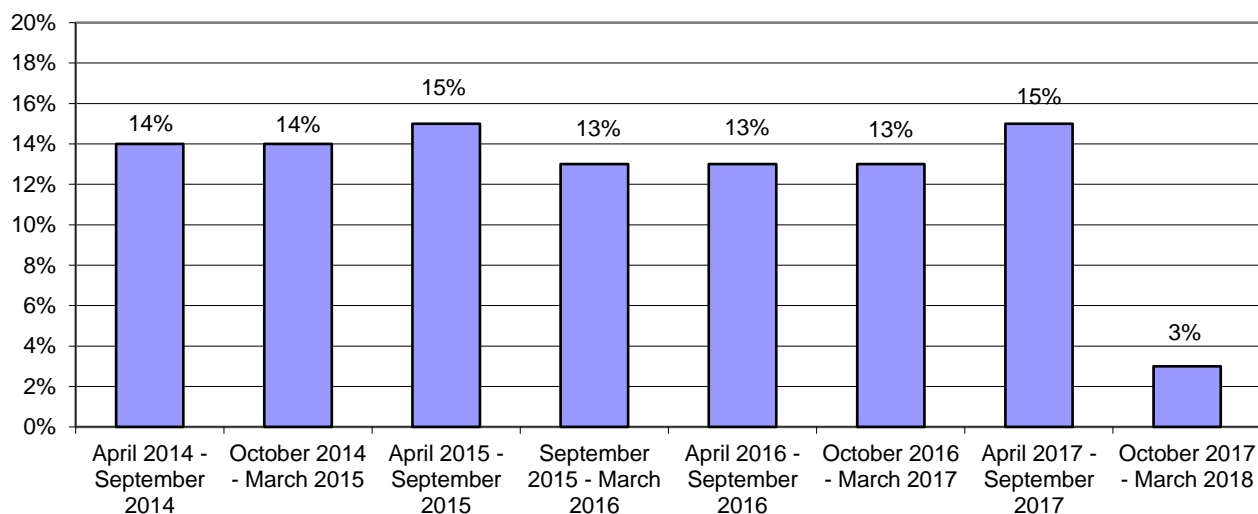
Information on both proposed substantiations and finalized substantiations is provided in the charts and tables below:

CHART 12
NUMBER OF REPORTS ASSIGNED FOR INVESTIGATION BY PRIORITY AND REPORTING PERIOD THAT RESULTED IN PROPOSED SUBSTANTIATION

TABLE 17
NUMBER OF REPORTS ASSIGNED FOR INVESTIGATION BY PRIORITY AND COUNTY THAT RESULTED IN PROPOSED SUBSTANTIATION FOR PERIOD OF OCTOBER 1, 2017 THROUGH MARCH 31, 2018

COUNTY	PRIORITY 1	PRIORITY 2	PRIORITY 3	PRIORITY 4	TOTAL	% OF TOTAL
APACHE	1	2	2	0	5	0.2%
COCHISE	9	30	11	1	51	1.8%
COCONINO	15	23	14	1	53	1.9%
GILA	11	10	1	0	22	0.8%
GRAHAM	6	4	1	0	11	0.4%
GREENLEE	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
LA PAZ	4	0	2	0	6	0.2%
MARICOPA	637	688	311	79	1,715	60.3%
MOHAVE	63	65	31	0	159	5.6%
NAVAJO	7	11	5	0	23	0.8%
PIMA	124	261	105	8	498	17.5%
PINAL	51	72	33	13	169	5.9%
SANTA CRUZ	1	5	3	0	9	0.3%
YAVAPAI	24	40	16	5	85	3.0%
YUMA	21	10	7	1	39	1.3%
STATEWIDE	974	1,221	542	108	2,845	100%
% OF TOTAL	34.2%	42.9%	19.1%	3.8%	100%	

TABLE 18
NUMBER OF REPORTS ASSIGNED FOR INVESTIGATION BY PRIORITY AND COUNTY
THAT RESULTED IN PROPOSED SUBSTANTIATION FOR PERIOD OF
APRIL 1, 2017 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2017

COUNTY	PRIORITY 1	PRIORITY 2	PRIORITY 3	PRIORITY 4	TOTAL	% OF TOTAL
APACHE	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
COCHISE	1	3	3	0	7	0.9%
COCONINO	3	7	1	0	11	1.4%
GILA	1	4	0	0	5	0.7%
GRAHAM	1	1	0	0	2	0.3%
GREENLEE	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
LA PAZ	0	1	1	0	2	0.3%
MARICOPA	171	200	96	21	488	64.0%
MOHAVE	8	6	3	0	17	2.2%
NAVAJO	4	3	1	0	8	1.0%
PIMA	19	42	23	2	86	11.3%
PINAL	25	31	18	8	82	10.7%
SANTA CRUZ	2	2	2	0	6	0.8%
YAVAPAI	8	9	9	0	26	3.4%
YUMA	15	6	2	0	23	3.0%
STATEWIDE	258	315	159	31	763	100%
% OF TOTAL	33.8%	41.3%	20.8%	4.1%	100%	

CHART 13
NUMBER OF REPORTS ASSIGNED FOR INVESTIGATION BY TYPE OF MALTREATMENT
THAT RESULTED IN PROPOSED SUBSTANTIATION

TABLE 19
NUMBER OF REPORTS ASSIGNED FOR INVESTIGATION BY TYPE OF MALTREATMENT
BY COUNTY THAT RESULTED IN PROPOSED SUBSTANTIATION FOR PERIOD OF
OCTOBER 1, 2017 THROUGH MARCH 31, 2018

COUNTY	EMOTIONAL ABUSE	NEGLECT	PHYSICAL ABUSE	SEXUAL ABUSE	TOTAL	% OF TOTAL
APACHE	0	4	1	0	5	0.2%
COCHISE	0	41	9	1	51	1.8%
COCONINO	0	43	6	4	53	1.9%
GILA	0	21	1	0	22	0.8%
GRAHAM	0	9	2	0	11	0.4%
GREENLEE	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
LA PAZ	0	5	1	0	6	0.2%
MARICOPA	4	1,434	196	81	1,715	60.3%
MOHAVE	0	144	12	3	159	5.6%
NAVAJO	0	20	3	0	23	0.8%
PIMA	0	416	69	13	498	17.5%
PINAL	0	143	18	8	169	5.9%
SANTA CRUZ	0	7	0	2	9	0.3%
YAVAPAI	0	74	8	3	85	3.0%
YUMA	0	33	4	2	39	1.3%
STATEWIDE	4	2,394	330	117	2,845	100%
% OF TOTAL	0.1%	84.2%	11.6%	4.1%	100%	

TABLE 20
NUMBER OF REPORTS ASSIGNED FOR INVESTIGATION BY TYPE OF MALTREATMENT
BY COUNTY THAT RESULTED IN PROPOSED SUBSTANTIATION FOR
PERIOD OF APRIL 1, 2017 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2017

COUNTY	EMOTIONAL ABUSE	NEGLECT	PHYSICAL ABUSE	SEXUAL ABUSE	TOTAL	% OF TOTAL
APACHE	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
COCHISE	0	5	2	0	7	0.9%
COCONINO	0	7	2	2	11	1.4%
GILA	0	5	0	0	5	0.7%
GRAHAM	0	2	0	0	2	0.3%
GREENLEE	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
LA PAZ	0	2	0	0	2	0.3%
MARICOPA	1	386	77	24	488	64.0%
MOHAVE	0	14	2	1	17	2.2%
NAVAJO	0	8	0	0	8	1.0%
PIMA	0	74	11	1	86	11.3%
PINAL	0	68	12	2	82	10.7%
SANTA CRUZ	0	6	0	0	6	0.8%
YAVAPAI	0	24	2	0	26	3.4%
YUMA	0	20	1	2	23	3.0%
STATEWIDE	1	621	109	32	763	100%
% OF TOTAL	0.1%	81.4%	14.3%	4.2%	100%	

CHART 14
NUMBER OF REPORTS ASSIGNED FOR INVESTIGATION BY PRIORITY AND REPORTING PERIOD THAT RESULTED IN SUBSTANTIATION
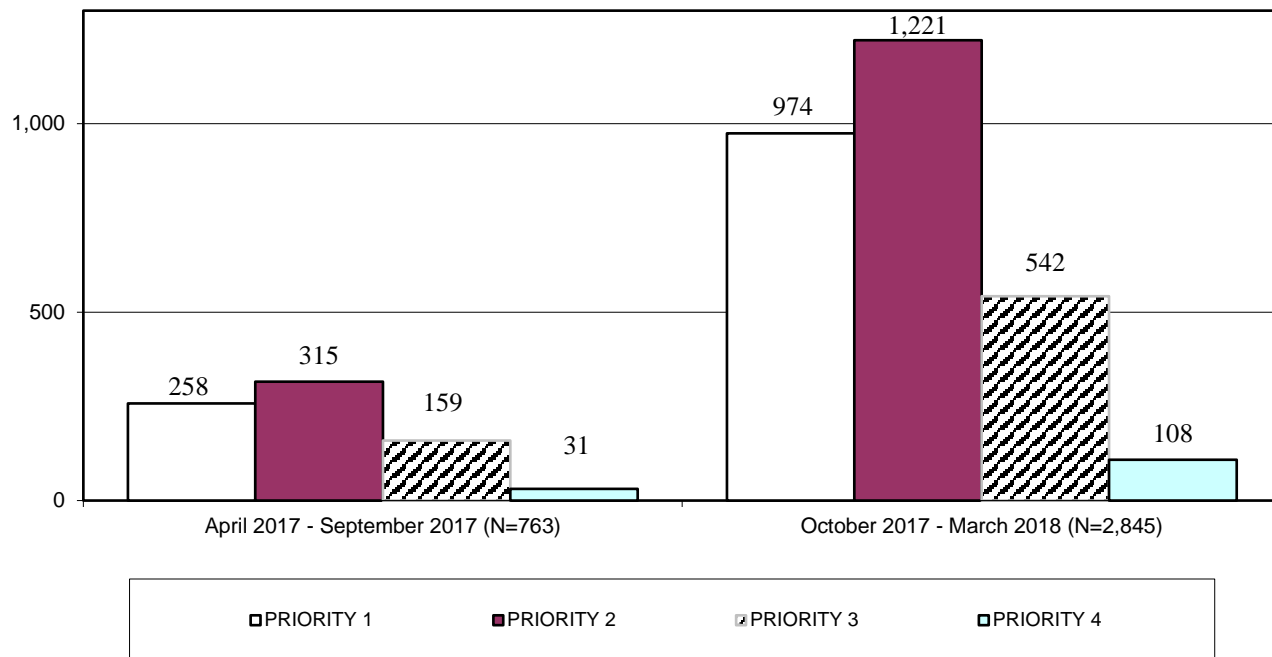
TABLE 21
NUMBER OF REPORTS ASSIGNED FOR INVESTIGATION BY PRIORITY AND COUNTY
THAT RESULTED IN SUBSTANTIATION FOR PERIOD OF
OCTOBER 1, 2017 THROUGH MARCH 31, 2018

COUNTY	PRIORITY 1	PRIORITY 2	PRIORITY 3	PRIORITY 4	TOTAL	% OF TOTAL
APACHE	2	0	0	0	2	0.3%
COCHISE	6	2	5	0	13	1.7%
COCONINO	4	3	3	0	10	1.3%
GILA	4	3	4	0	11	1.4%
GRAHAM	1	0	0	0	1	0.1%
GREENLEE	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
LA PAZ	1	0	0	0	1	0.1%
MARICOPA	197	189	50	9	445	57.6%
MOHAVE	14	13	5	0	32	4.1%
NAVAJO	2	1	2	0	5	0.7%
PIMA	48	112	27	4	191	24.7%
PINAL	11	17	4	1	33	4.3%
SANTA CRUZ	1	0	0	0	1	0.1%
YAVAPAI	5	3	2	0	10	1.3%
YUMA	13	3	2	0	18	2.3%
STATEWIDE	309	346	104	14	773	100%
% OF TOTAL	40.0%	44.8%	13.4%	1.8%	100%	

TABLE 22
NUMBER OF REPORTS ASSIGNED FOR INVESTIGATION BY PRIORITY AND COUNTY
THAT RESULTED IN SUBSTANTIATION FOR PERIOD OF
APRIL 1, 2017 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2017

COUNTY	PRIORITY 1	PRIORITY 2	PRIORITY 3	PRIORITY 4	TOTAL	% OF TOTAL
APACHE	2	5	0	0	7	0.2%
COCHISE	25	30	14	0	69	1.9%
COCONINO	20	22	6	0	48	1.3%
GILA	18	11	5	0	34	0.9%
GRAHAM	14	8	5	0	27	0.7%
GREENLEE	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
LA PAZ	2	5	0	0	7	0.2%
MARICOPA	847	955	270	63	2,135	57.5%
MOHAVE	75	77	28	0	180	4.9%
NAVAJO	14	14	6	0	34	0.9%
PIMA	189	474	157	2	822	22.2%
PINAL	70	93	24	3	190	5.1%
SANTA CRUZ	4	4	0	0	8	0.2%
YAVAPAI	32	46	14	1	93	2.5%
YUMA	39	16	1	0	56	1.5%
STATEWIDE	1,351	1,760	530	69	3,710	100%
% OF TOTAL	36.4%	47.4%	14.3%	1.9%	100%	

CHART 15
NUMBER OF REPORTS ASSIGNED FOR INVESTIGATION BY TYPE OF MALTREATMENT
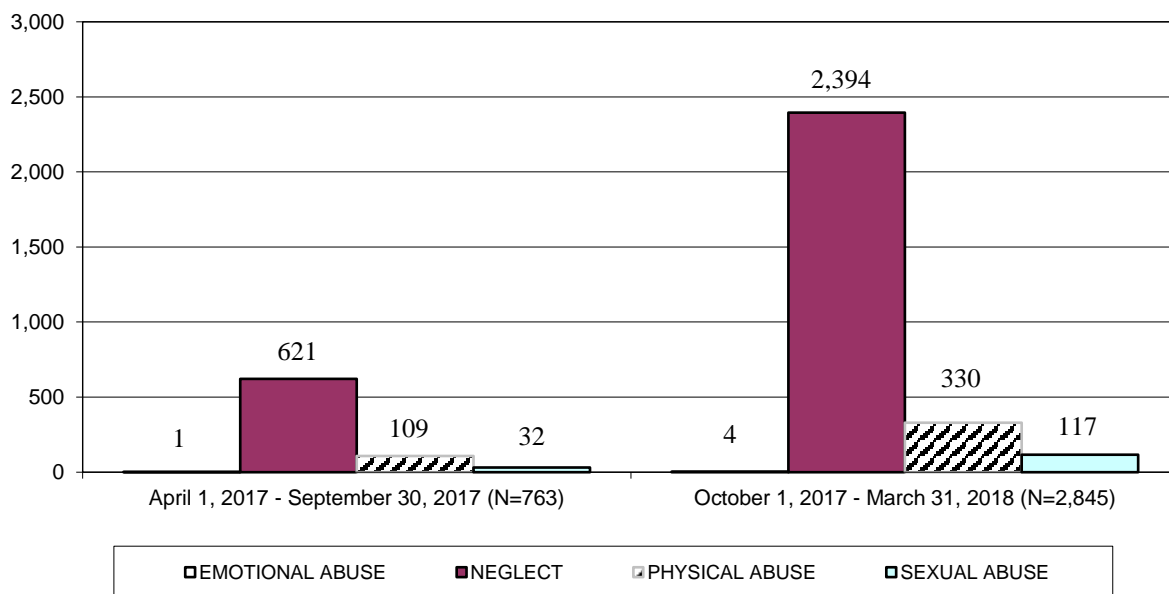**THAT RESULTED IN SUBSTANTIATION**

TABLE 23
NUMBER OF REPORTS ASSIGNED FOR INVESTIGATION BY TYPE OF MALTREATMENT
BY COUNTY THAT RESULTED IN SUBSTANTIATION FOR PERIOD OF
OCTOBER 1, 2017 THROUGH MARCH 31, 2018

COUNTY	EMOTIONAL ABUSE	NEGLECT	PHYSICAL ABUSE	SEXUAL ABUSE	TOTAL	% OF TOTAL
APACHE	0	2	0	0	2	0.3%
COCHISE	0	12	1	0	13	1.7%
COCONINO	0	9	1	0	10	1.3%
GILA	0	10	1	0	11	1.4%
GRAHAM	0	1	0	0	1	0.1%
GREENLEE	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
LA PAZ	0	1	0	0	1	0.1%
MARICOPA	0	370	61	14	445	57.6%
MOHAVE	0	30	2	0	32	4.1%
NAVAJO	0	3	1	1	5	0.7%
PIMA	0	161	29	1	191	24.8%
PINAL	0	26	6	1	33	4.3%
SANTA CRUZ	0	1	0	0	1	0.1%
YAVAPAI	0	9	0	1	10	1.2%
YUMA	0	17	1	0	18	2.3%
STATEWIDE	0	652	103	18	773	100.0%
% OF TOTAL	0.0%	84.4%	13.3%	2.3%	100%	

TABLE 24
NUMBER OF REPORTS ASSIGNED FOR INVESTIGATION BY TYPE OF MALTREATMENT
BY COUNTY THAT RESULTED IN SUBSTANTIATION FOR PERIOD OF
APRIL 1, 2017 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2017

COUNTY	EMOTIONAL ABUSE	NEGLECT	PHYSICAL ABUSE	SEXUAL ABUSE	TOTAL	% OF TOTAL
APACHE	0	7	0	0	7	0.2%
COCHISE	0	58	11	0	69	1.8%
COCONINO	0	40	8	0	48	1.3%
GILA	0	32	2	0	34	0.9%
GRAHAM	0	26	1	0	27	0.7%
GREENLEE	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
LA PAZ	0	7	0	0	7	0.2%
MARICOPA	0	1,787	268	80	2,135	57.6%
MOHAVE	0	154	22	4	180	4.9%
NAVAJO	0	30	3	1	34	0.9%
PIMA	2	684	117	19	822	22.2%
PINAL	0	154	30	6	190	5.1%
SANTA CRUZ	0	5	2	1	8	0.2%
YAVAPAI	0	74	18	1	93	2.5%
YUMA	0	47	8	1	56	1.5%
STATEWIDE	2	3,105	490	113	3,710	100%
% OF TOTAL	0.0%	83.7%	13.2%	3.1%	100.0%	

CHART 16
NUMBER OF REPORTS ASSIGNED FOR INVESTIGATION BY PRIORITY AND
REPORTING PERIOD THAT RESULTED IN UNSUBSTANTIATION
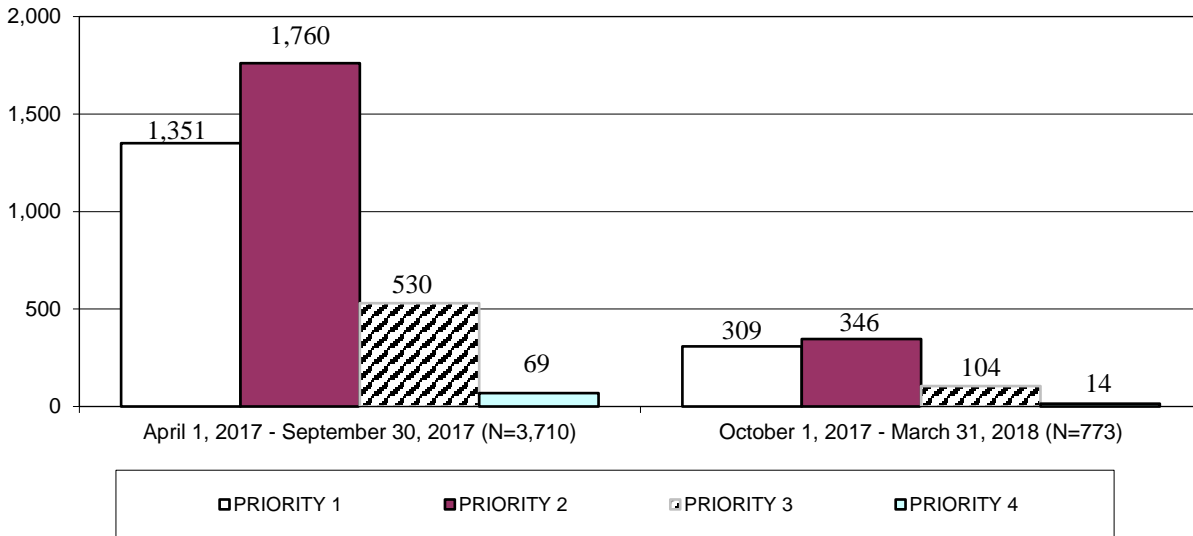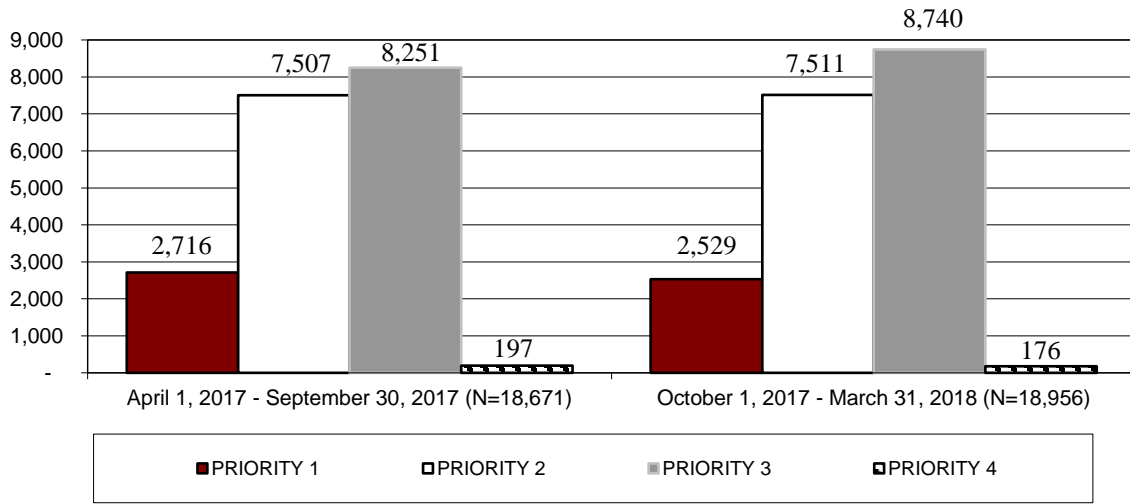
TABLE 25
NUMBER OF REPORTS ASSIGNED FOR INVESTIGATION BY PRIORITY AND COUNTY
THAT RESULTED IN UNSUBSTANTIATION FOR PERIOD OF
OCTOBER 1, 2017 THROUGH MARCH 31, 2018

COUNTY	PRIORITY 1	PRIORITY 2	PRIORITY 3	PRIORITY 4	TOTAL	% OF TOTAL
APACHE	5	29	26	1	61	0.3%
COCHISE	36	134	173	2	345	1.8%
COCONINO	34	100	152	5	291	1.5%
GILA	18	72	60	1	151	0.8%
GRAHAM	15	65	53	0	133	0.7%
GREENLEE	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
LA PAZ	10	15	18	1	44	0.2%
MARICOPA	1,596	4,493	5,329	108	11,526	60.9%
MOHAVE	81	202	206	0	489	2.6%
NAVAJO	34	117	117	1	269	1.4%
PIMA	368	1,437	1,593	27	3,425	18.2%
PINAL	176	435	546	25	1,182	6.2%
SANTA CRUZ	11	20	29	0	60	0.3%
YAVAPAI	72	227	234	4	537	2.8%
YUMA	73	165	204	1	443	2.3%
STATEWIDE	2,529	7,511	8,740	176	18,956	100%
% OF TOTAL	13.3%	39.7%	46.1%	0.9%	100.0%	

TABLE 26
NUMBER OF REPORTS ASSIGNED FOR INVESTIGATION BY PRIORITY AND COUNTY
THAT RESULTED IN UNSUBSTANTIATION FOR PERIOD OF
APRIL 1, 2017 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2017

COUNTY	PRIORITY 1	PRIORITY 2	PRIORITY 3	PRIORITY 4	TOTAL	% OF TOTAL
APACHE	4	34	27	0	65	0.4%
COCHISE	51	126	184	2	363	1.9%
COCONINO	44	129	137	6	316	1.7%
GILA	20	84	56	2	162	0.9%
GRAHAM	26	57	55	1	139	0.7%
GREENLEE	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
LA PAZ	9	16	14	0	39	0.2%
MARICOPA	1,682	4,328	4,790	124	10,924	58.5%
MOHAVE	75	260	231	0	566	3.0%
NAVAJO	30	122	108	1	261	1.4%
PIMA	403	1,354	1,630	37	3,424	18.4%
PINAL	223	539	563	16	1,341	7.2%
SANTA CRUZ	10	34	37	0	81	0.4%
YAVAPAI	61	239	249	6	555	3.0%
YUMA	78	185	170	2	435	2.3%
STATEWIDE	2,716	7,507	8,251	197	18,671	100.0%
% OF TOTAL	14.6%	40.2%	44.2%	1.0%	100.0%	

CHART 17
**NUMBER OF REPORTS ASSIGNED FOR INVESTIGATION BY TYPE OF MALTREATMENT
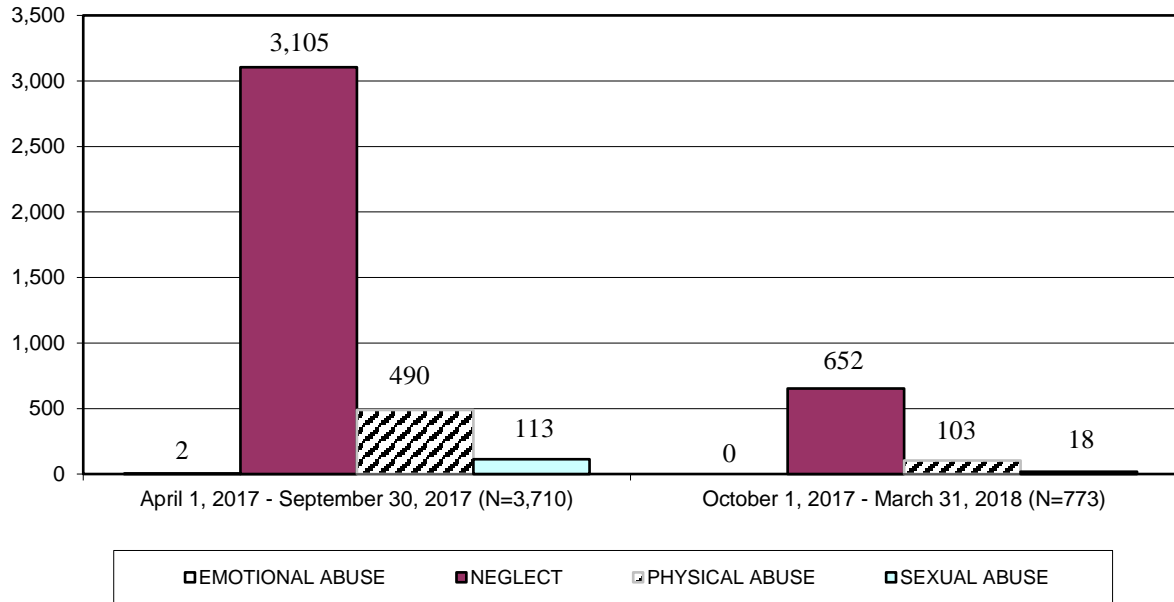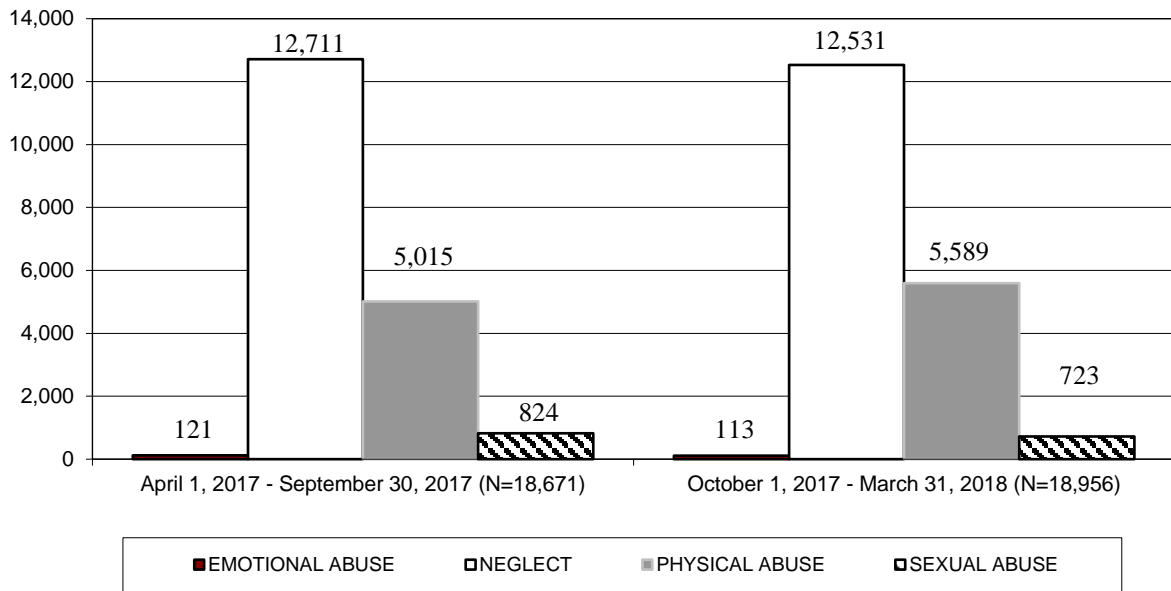THAT RESULTED IN UNSUBSTANTIATION BY REPORTING PERIOD**

TABLE 27
NUMBER OF REPORTS ASSIGNED FOR INVESTIGATION BY TYPE OF MALTREATMENT
BY COUNTY THAT RESULTED IN UNSUBSTANTIATION FOR PERIOD OF
OCTOBER 1, 2017 THROUGH MARCH 31, 2018

COUNTY	EMOTIONAL ABUSE	NEGLECT	PHYSICAL ABUSE	SEXUAL ABUSE	TOTAL	% OF TOTAL
APACHE	1	39	17	4	61	0.3%
COCHISE	1	224	104	16	345	1.8%
COCONINO	4	196	82	9	291	1.5%
GILA	0	103	38	10	151	0.8%
GRAHAM	0	98	30	5	133	0.7%
GREENLEE	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
LA PAZ	0	29	13	2	44	0.2%
MARICOPA	59	7,456	3,595	416	11,526	60.9%
MOHAVE	4	337	133	15	489	2.6%
NAVAJO	2	196	61	10	269	1.4%
PIMA	29	2,380	894	122	3,425	18.2%
PINAL	10	777	347	48	1,182	6.2%
SANTA CRUZ	0	37	18	5	60	0.3%
YAVAPAI	2	367	136	32	537	2.8%
YUMA	1	292	121	29	443	2.3%
STATEWIDE	113	12,531	5,589	723	18,956	100.0%
% OF TOTAL	0.6%	66.1%	29.5%	3.8%	100.0%	

TABLE 28
NUMBER OF REPORTS ASSIGNED FOR INVESTIGATION BY TYPE OF MALTREATMENT
BY COUNTY THAT RESULTED IN UNSUBSTANTIATION FOR PERIOD OF
APRIL 1, 2017 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2017

COUNTY	EMOTIONAL ABUSE	NEGLECT	PHYSICAL ABUSE	SEXUAL ABUSE	TOTAL	% OF TOTAL
APACHE	0	45	18	2	65	0.4%
COCHISE	3	254	91	15	363	1.9%
COCONINO	4	232	73	7	316	1.7%
GILA	0	117	33	12	162	0.9%
GRAHAM	1	100	28	10	139	0.7%
GREENLEE	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
LA PAZ	0	29	8	2	39	0.2%
MARICOPA	71	7,315	3,052	486	10,924	58.6%
MOHAVE	0	395	140	31	566	3.0%
NAVAJO	0	182	69	10	261	1.4%
PIMA	27	2,382	879	136	3,424	18.3%
PINAL	6	900	361	74	1,341	7.2%
SANTA CRUZ	2	51	27	1	81	0.4%
YAVAPAI	2	409	127	17	555	3.0%
YUMA	5	300	109	21	435	2.3%
STATEWIDE	121	12,711	5,015	824	18,671	100.0%
% OF TOTAL	0.7%	68.1%	26.8%	4.4%	100.0%	

SAFE HAVEN INFANTS

Communications from providers indicate that there were no newborn infants delivered to Safe Haven providers during the October 2017 – March 2018 reporting period. This compares to one newborn infant being delivered to Safe Haven providers during the prior reporting period.

CHILDREN ENTERING OUT-OF-HOME CARE

During the current reporting period, 4,600 children entered care, which represents a 6.2 percent increase in children entering care over the prior reporting period and a 12.2 percent decrease over the same reporting period last year. The number of children exiting care is now outpacing the number of children entering care (see Table 35 for children exiting care).

CHART 18
TOTAL CHILDREN ENTERING OUT-OF-HOME CARE BY REPORTING PERIOD
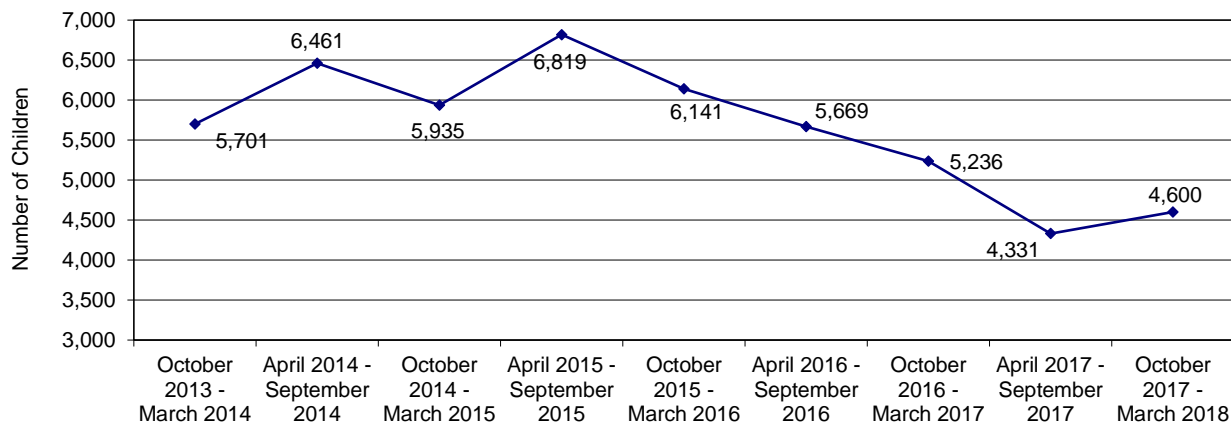
CHILDREN ENTERING OUT-OF-HOME CARE – VOLUNTARY SERVICES

Voluntary foster care may be provided when the parents or legal guardians of a child have requested such assistance and have signed a legally binding written agreement for the temporary placement of the child in foster care while risk factors are addressed to enable the child to live safely at home. A.R.S. § 8-806 authorizes the Department to provide voluntary foster care placement for children for a period not to exceed 90 days and no more than twice within 24 consecutive months unless a dependency petition is pending.

TABLE 29
NUMBER OF CHILDREN ENTERING OUT-OF-HOME CARE BY COUNTY WHO ARE
VOLUNTARY PLACEMENTS FOR CHILDREN UNDER THE AGE OF EIGHTEEN FOR THE
PERIOD OF OCTOBER 1, 2017 THROUGH MARCH 31, 2018

COUNTY	NUMBER OF CHILDREN REMOVED	% OF TOTAL REMOVALS	NUMBER OF CHILDREN ENTERING OUT-OF-HOME CARE UNDER THE AGE OF EIGHTEEN WHO ARE VOLUNTARY PLACEMENTS	% OF CHILDREN ENTERING OUT-OF-HOME CARE WHO ARE VOLUNTARY PLACEMENTS
APACHE	15	0.3%	0	0.0%
COCHISE	63	1.4%	0	0.0%
COCONINO	48	1.0%	0	0.0%
GILA	34	0.7%	0	0.0%
GRAHAM	25	0.5%	0	0.0%
GREENLEE	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
LA PAZ	7	0.2%	0	0.0%
MARICOPA	2,705	58.8%	57	2.1%
MOHAVE	202	4.4%	5	2.5%
NAVAJO	28	0.6%	1	3.6%
PIMA	964	21.0%	58	6.0%
PINAL	284	6.2%	2	0.7%
SANTA CRUZ	22	0.5%	2	9.1%
YAVAPAI	117	2.5%	7	6.0%
YUMA	86	1.9%	8	9.3%
STATEWIDE	4,600	100%	140	3.0%

TABLE 30
NUMBER OF CHILDREN ENTERING OUT-OF-HOME CARE BY COUNTY WHO ARE
VOLUNTARY PLACEMENTS FOR CHILDREN UNDER THE AGE OF EIGHTEEN FOR THE
PERIOD OF APRIL 1, 2017 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2017

COUNTY	NUMBER OF CHILDREN REMOVED	% OF TOTAL REMOVALS	NUMBER OF CHILDREN ENTERING OUT-OF-HOME CARE UNDER THE AGE OF EIGHTEEN WHO ARE VOLUNTARY PLACEMENTS	% OF CHILDREN ENTERING OUT-OF-HOME CARE WHO ARE VOLUNTARY PLACEMENTS
APACHE	6	0.1%	0	0.0%
COCHISE	73	1.7%	0	0.0%
COCONINO	37	0.9%	5	10.4%
GILA	33	0.7%	0	0.0%
GRAHAM	34	0.8%	0	0.0%
GREENLEE	0	0%	0	0.0%
LA PAZ	15	0.3%	0	0.0%
MARICOPA	2,498	57.7%	63	2.3%
MOHAVE	149	3.4%	0	0.0%
NAVAJO	24	0.6%	1	3.6%
PIMA	952	22%	65	6.7%
PINAL	269	6.2%	4	1.4%
SANTA CRUZ	10	0.2%	0	0.0%
YAVAPAI	137	3.2%	9	7.7%
YUMA	94	2.2%	5	5.8%
STATEWIDE	4,331	100%	152	3.3%

*The data for this prior reporting period has been updated.

NUMBER OF CHILDREN ENTERING OUT-OF-HOME CARE

The total number of children entering out-of-home care (of which voluntary placements are a subset) in the current reporting period was 4,600 children entered care, which represents a 6.2 percent increase in the total number of children entering out-of-home care from the prior reporting period. Chart 19 displays the number of removed children, and then further differentiates new removals by providing the number with a prior removal in the past 12 months and the past 12 to 24 months.
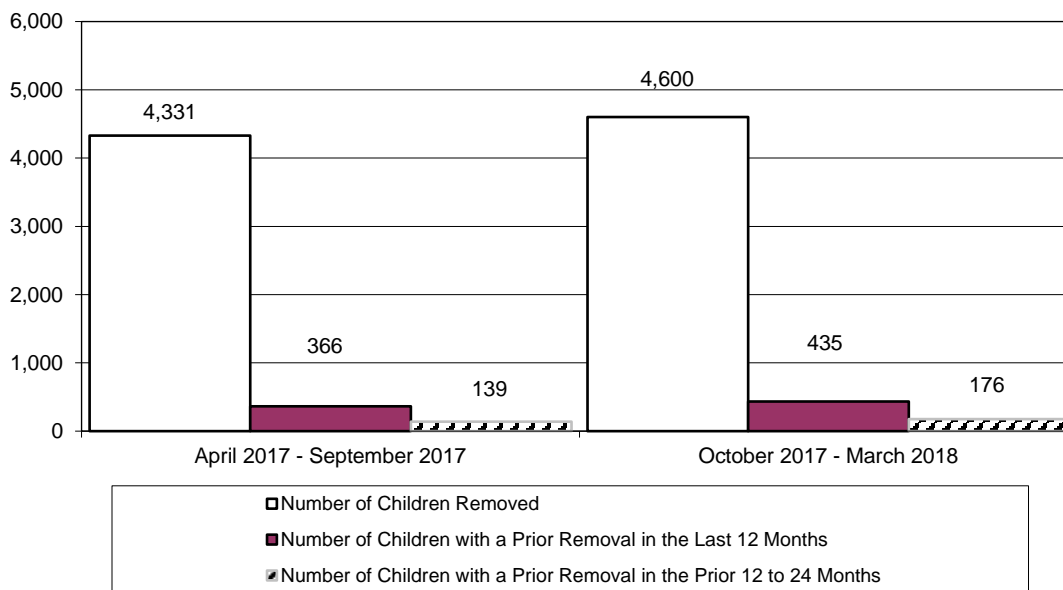
TABLE 31
NUMBER OF CHILDREN ENTERING OUT-OF-HOME CARE BY COUNTY FOR THE PERIOD OF OCTOBER 1, 2017 THROUGH MARCH 31, 2018

COUNTY	NUMBER OF CHILDREN REMOVED	% OF TOTAL REMOVALS	NUMBER OF CHILDREN WITH A PRIOR REMOVAL IN THE LAST 12 MONTHS	% OF CHILDREN WITH A PRIOR REMOVAL IN THE LAST 12 MONTHS	NUMBER OF CHILDREN WITH A REMOVAL IN THE PRIOR 12 TO 24 MONTHS	% OF CHILDREN WITH A REMOVAL IN THE PRIOR 12 TO 24 MONTHS
APACHE	15	0.3%	2	13.3%	0	0.0%
COCHISE	63	1.4%	2	3.2%	2	3.2%
COCONINO	48	1.0%	10	20.8%	1	2.1%
GILA	34	0.7%	8	23.5%	2	5.9%
GRAHAM	25	0.5%	3	12.0%	1	4.0%
GREENLEE	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
LA PAZ	7	0.2%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
MARICOPA	2,705	58.8%	248	9.2%	99	3.7%
MOHAVE	202	4.4%	13	6.4%	4	2.0%
NAVAJO	28	0.6%	2	7.1%	0	0.0%
PIMA	964	21.0%	106	11.0%	49	5.1%
PINAL	284	6.2%	26	9.2%	10	3.5%
SANTA CRUZ	22	0.5%	0	0.0%	2	9.1%
YAVAPAI	117	2.5%	10	8.5%	2	1.7%
YUMA	86	1.9%	5	5.8%	4	4.7%
STATEWIDE	4,600	100.0%	435	9.5%	176	3.8%

TABLE 32
NUMBER OF CHILDREN ENTERING OUT-OF-HOME CARE BY COUNTY FOR THE PERIOD OF APRIL 1, 2017 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2017

COUNTY	NUMBER OF CHILDREN REMOVED	% OF TOTAL REMOVALS	NUMBER CHILDREN WITH PRIOR REMOVAL IN THE LAST 12 MONTHS	% OF CHILDREN WITH A PRIOR REMOVAL IN THE LAST 12 MONTHS	NUMBER OF CHILDREN WITH A REMOVAL IN THE PRIOR 12 TO 24 MONTHS	% OF CHILDREN WITH A REMOVAL IN THE PRIOR 12 TO 24 MONTHS
APACHE	6	0.1%	0	0.0%	1	16.7%
COCHISE	73	1.7%	2	2.7%	4	5.5%
COCONINO	37	0.9%	2	5.4%	3	8.1%
GILA	33	0.8%	0	0.0%	1	3.0%
GRAHAM	34	0.8%	2	5.9%	0	0.0%
GREENLEE	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
LA PAZ	15	0.1%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
MARICOPA	2,498	57.8%	216	8.6%	82	3.3%
MOHAVE	149	3.4%	10	6.7%	2	1.3%
NAVAJO	24	0.6%	3	12.5%	0	0.0%
PIMA	952	22.0%	94	9.8%	35	3.7%
PINAL	269	6.2%	20	7.4%	4	1.5%
SANTA CRUZ	10	0.2%	2	20.0%	0	0.0%
YAVAPAI	137	3.2%	10	7.2%	2	1.5%
YUMA	94	2.2%	5	5.3%	5	5.3%
STATEWIDE	4,331	100%	366	8.5%	139	3.2%

CHART 19
NUMBER OF CHILDREN ENTERING OUT-OF-HOME CARE BY REPORTING PERIOD

Legend:
- Number of Children Removed
- Number of Children with a Prior Removal in the Last 12 Months
- Number of Children with a Prior Removal in the Prior 12 to 24 Months

CHILDREN IN OUT-OF-HOME CARE

Chart 20 below shows the number of children in out-of-home care on the last day of the current and past reporting periods 11,628 (77.9 percent) children were placed in family settings either with relatives or in foster homes.

CHART 20
NUMBER OF CHILDREN IN OUT-OF-HOME CARE ON THE LAST DAY OF THE REPORTING PERIOD BY REPORTING PERIOD
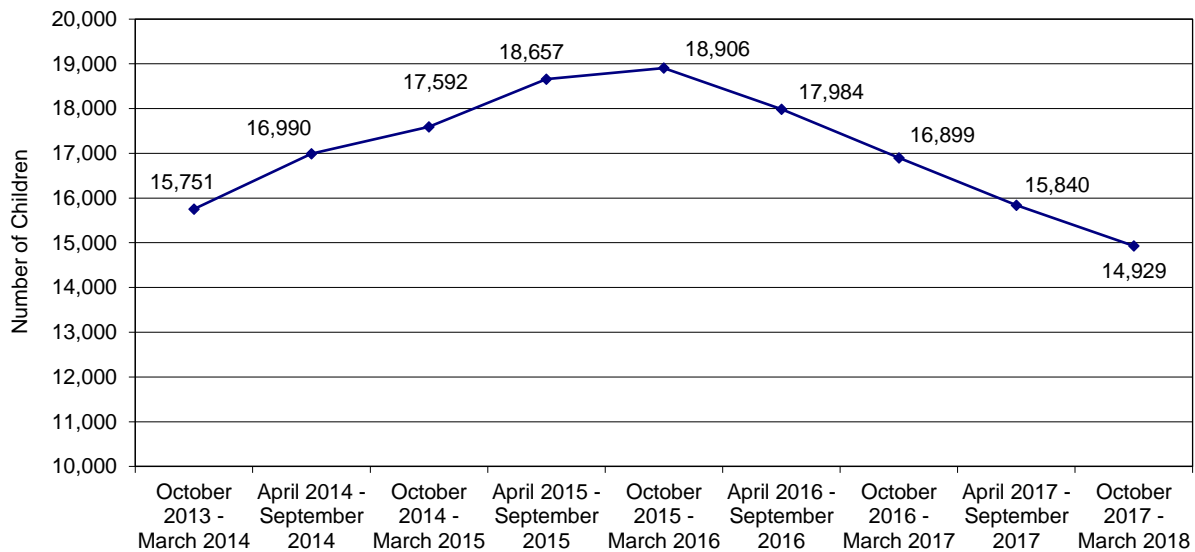
CHART 21
THE NUMBER OF CHILDREN IN OUT-OF-HOME CARE BY AGE

CHART 22
THE NUMBER OF CHILDREN IN OUT-OF-HOME CARE BY ETHNICITY

CHART 23
THE NUMBER OF CHILDREN IN OUT-OF-HOME CARE BY CASE PLAN GOAL

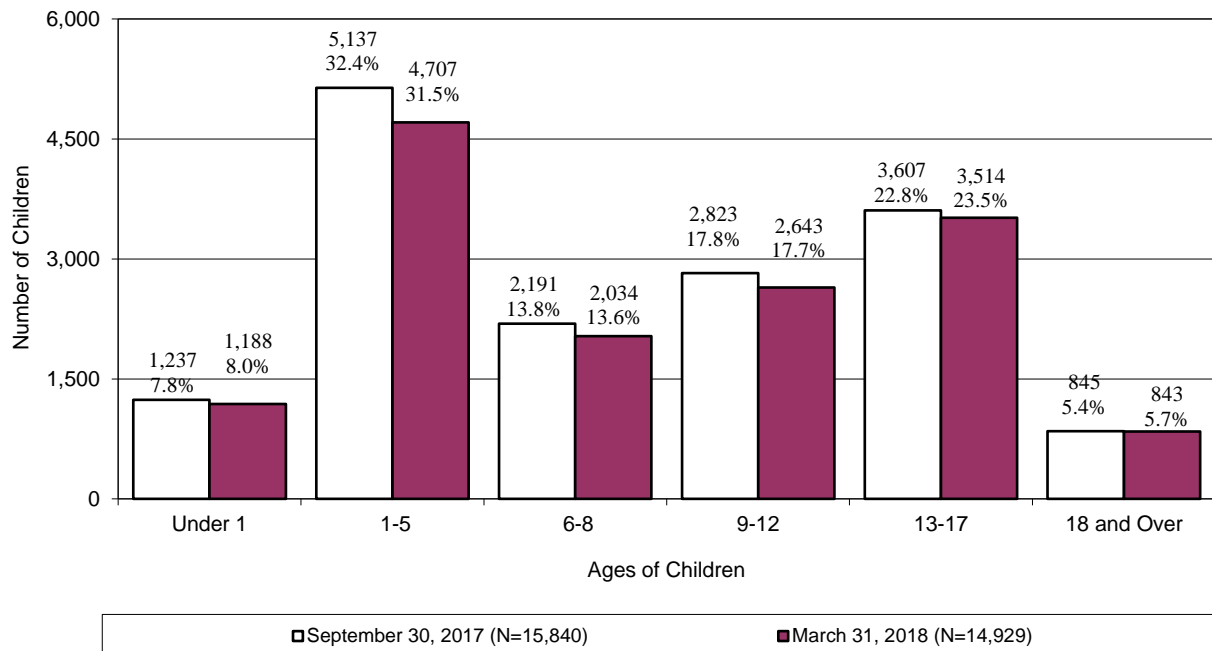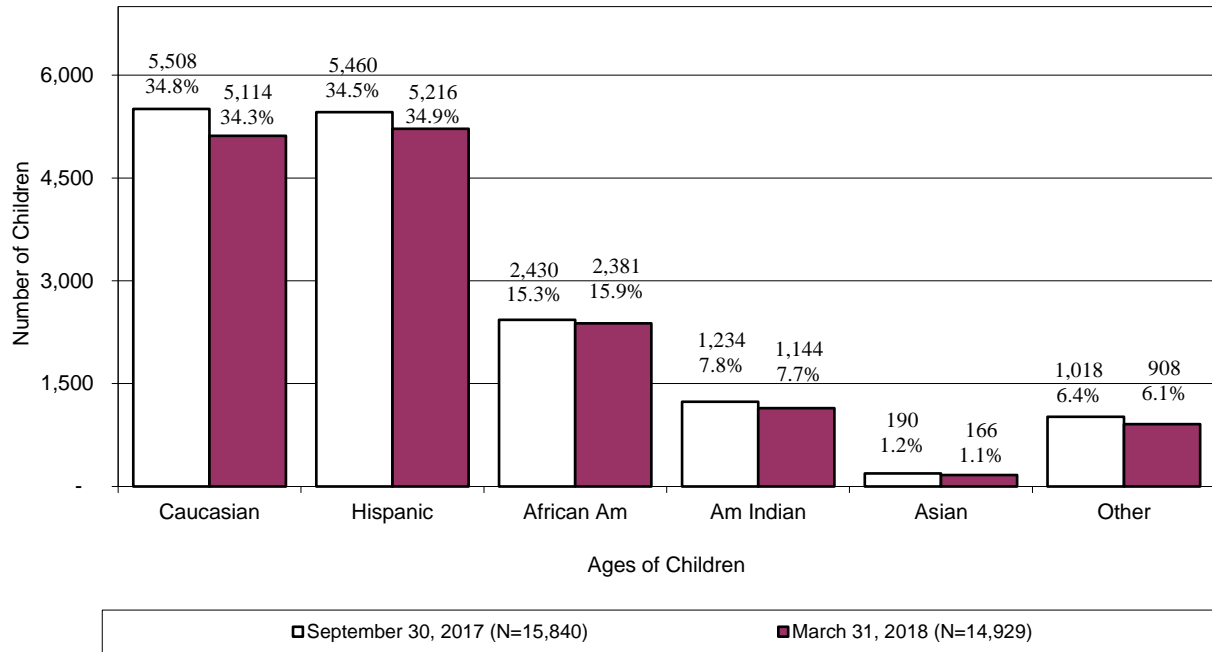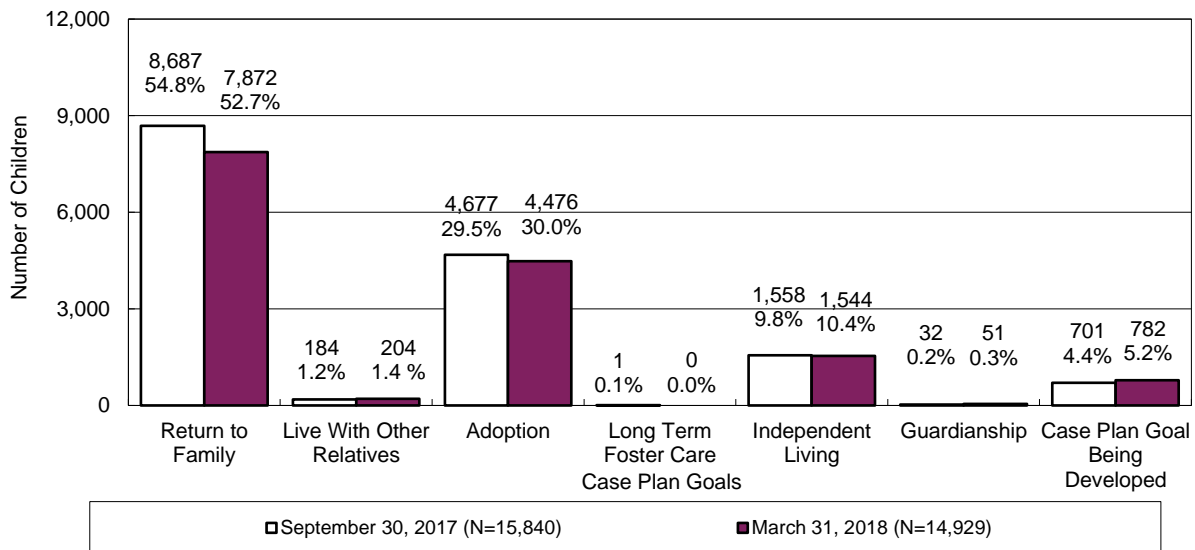**CHART 24**
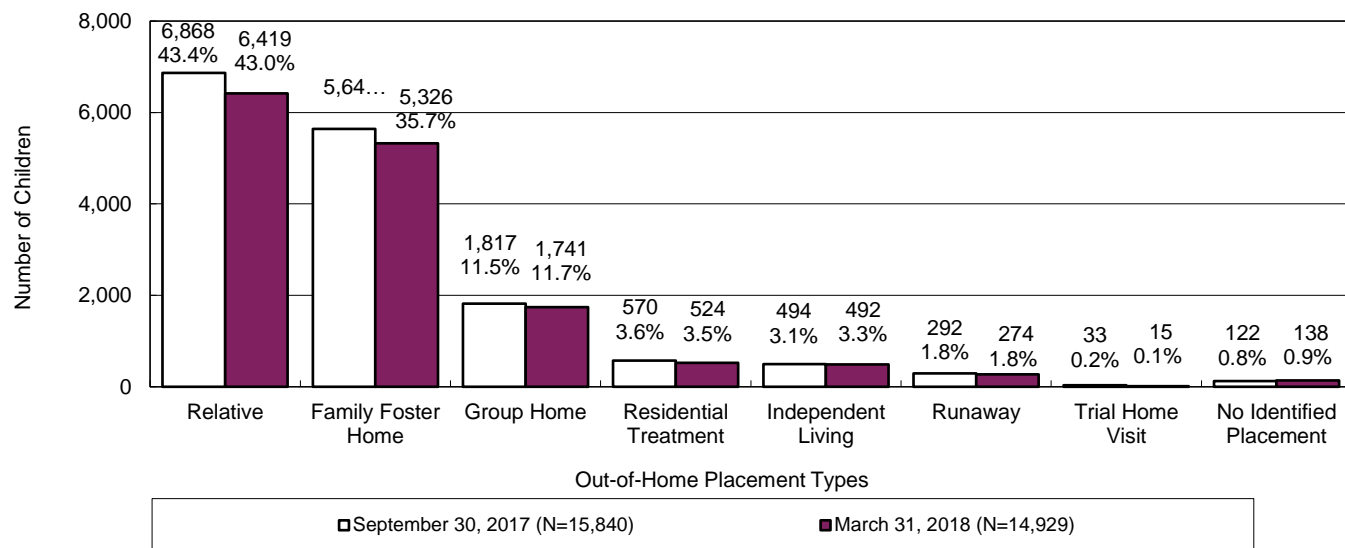**THE NUMBER OF CHILDREN IN OUT-OF-HOME CARE BY PLACEMENT TYPE[4]**

Legend: □ September 30, 2017 (N=15,840)   ■ March 31, 2018 (N=14,929)

TABLE 33
THE NUMBER OF CHILDREN IN OUT-OF-HOME CARE BY PLACEMENT TYPE AND AGE

	RELATIVE	FAMILY FOSTER	GROUP HOME	RESIDENTIAL TREATMENT[5]	INDEPENDENT LIVING	RUNAWAY / ABSCONDED[6]	TRIAL HOME VISIT	NO IDENTIFIED PLACEMENT	TOTAL	% OF TOTAL
UNDER 1	538	632	6	0	0	8	0	4	1,188	8.0%
1	652	537	8	0	0	3	1	10	1,211	8.1%
2	529	457	5	1	0	5	0	4	1,001	6.7%
3	491	383	4	6	0	2	2	6	894	6.0%
4	454	355	5	3	0	2	0	2	821	5.5%
5	418	332	17	5	0	2	1	5	780	5.2%
6	377	300	22	6	0	0	2	5	712	4.8%
7	352	266	26	7	0	0	1	5	657	4.4%
8	338	274	45	3	0	0	2	3	665	4.5%
9	352	259	65	7	0	0	0	6	689	4.6%
10	336	253	65	6	0	0	0	6	666	4.5%
11	319	216	96	21	0	0	1	6	659	4.4%
12	259	218	117	27	0	3	0	5	629	4.2%
13	233	163	145	34	0	12	0	7	594	4.0%
14	186	160	167	56	0	23	0	3	595	4.0%
15	218	132	222	90	0	39	2	7	710	4.7%
16	174	145	264	105	0	59	1	14	762	5.1%
17	148	135	310	122	1	116	2	19	853	5.7%
18 & OLDER	45	109	152	25	491	0	0	21	843	5.6%
TOTAL	6,419	5,326	1,741	524	492	274	15	138	14,929	100.0%
% of TOTAL	43.0%	35.7%	11.7%	3.5%	3.3%	1.8%	0.1%	0.9%	100.0%	

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[4] When children do not have a placement identified in the CHILDS database, this is most often attributable to a lag in data entry or data errors. This data is updated on an ongoing basis through a continuous quality assurance process.

[5] This category includes shelter, detention, and hospital placement types.

[6] This category includes children whose parents absconded with the child(ren) or were missing children who could not be located during the process of the investigation.

CHART 25
NUMBER AND PERCENTAGE OF CHILDREN IN SHELTER OR RECEIVING HOMES FOR MORE THAN 21 CONSECUTIVE DAYS BY AGE OF CHILD[7]
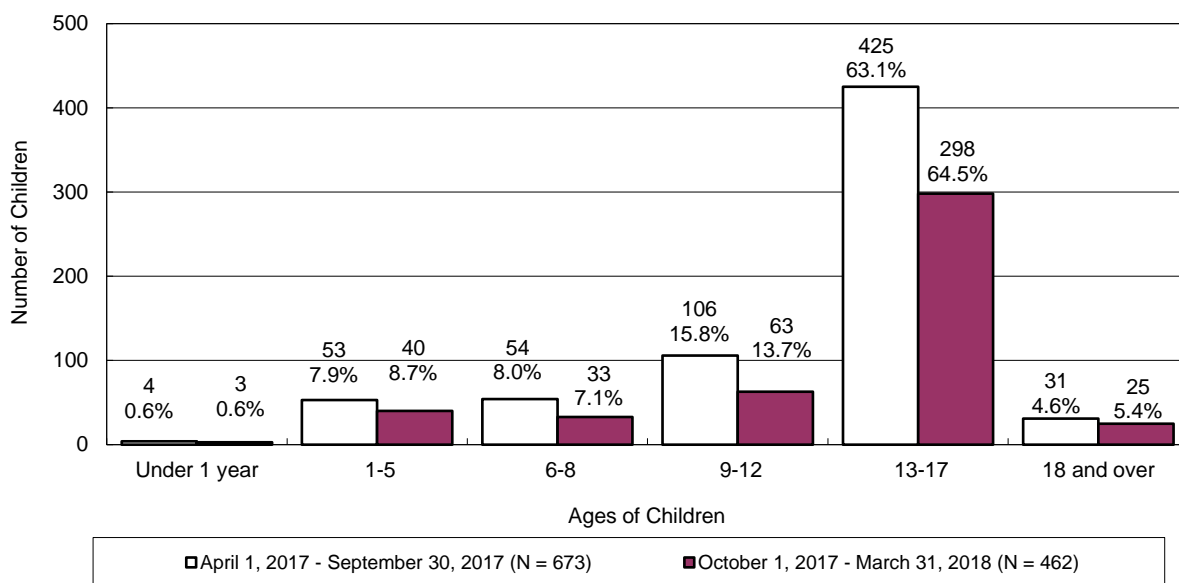

CHART 26
THE NUMBER OF CHILDREN IN OUT-OF-HOME CARE BY LENGTH OF TIME IN CARE

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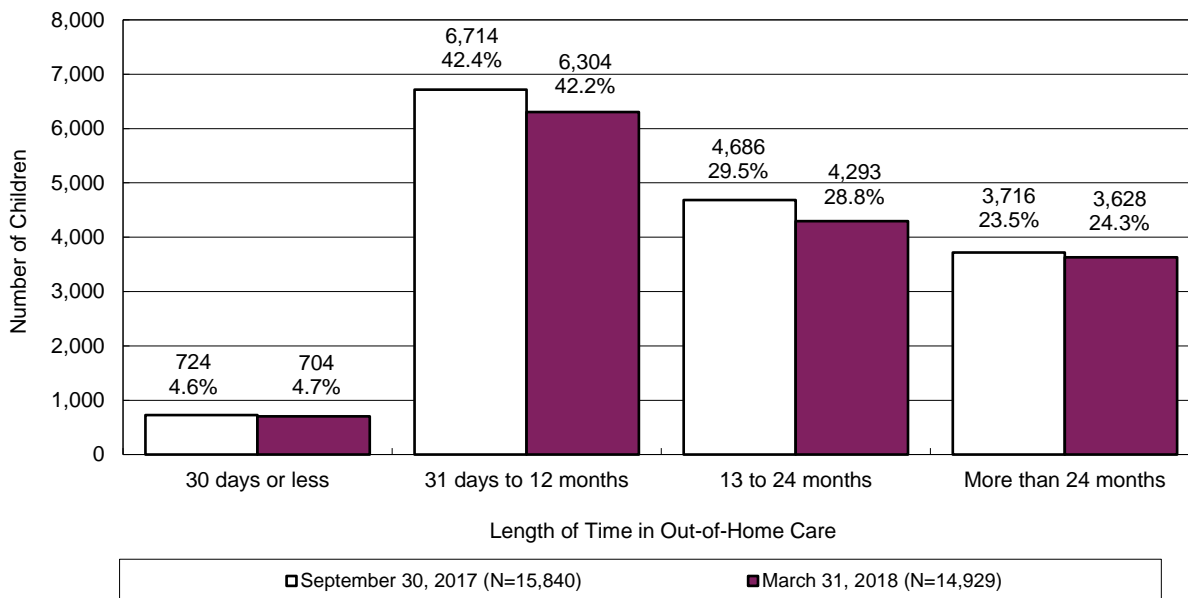
[7] The chart displays children who spent more than 21 days in a shelter during the period. This number differs from the other out-of-home charts as they display children in out-of-home care on the last day of the reporting period.

TABLE 34
PLACEMENT INFORMATION FOR CHILDREN IN
OUT-OF-HOME CARE ON MARCH 31, 2018

	Placements
Average	2.6
Median	2.0
Range Minimum	1
Range Maximum	61[8]

Chart 27 demonstrates that the vast majority of children in out-of-home care fall into one of three legal statuses – adjudicated dependent, legally free for adoption, and children in the Department's temporary custody.

CHART 27
CHILDREN IN OUT-OF-HOME CARE BY LEGAL STATUS

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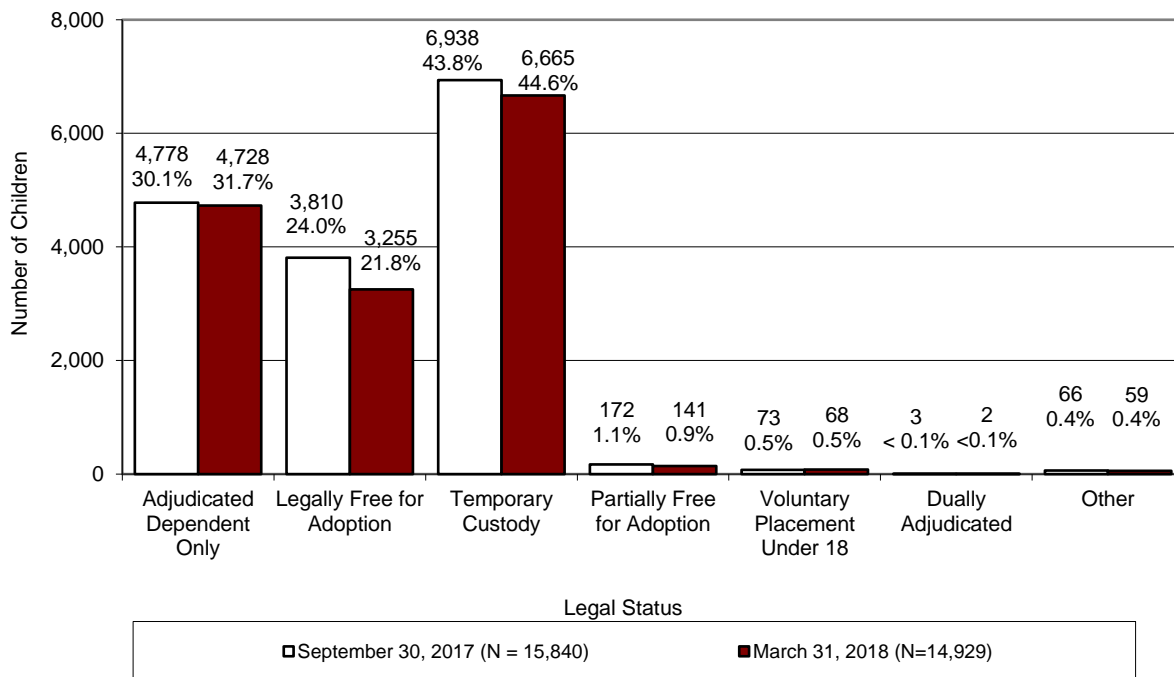
[8] Some children are so impacted by the severity of the abuse they have suffered that they become unable to form meaningful relationships or to respond to services. These children tend to experience multiple placements with numerous individuals and agencies.

CHART 28
THE NUMBER AND PERCENTAGE OF CHILDREN WHO RECEIVED THE REQUIRED VISITATION
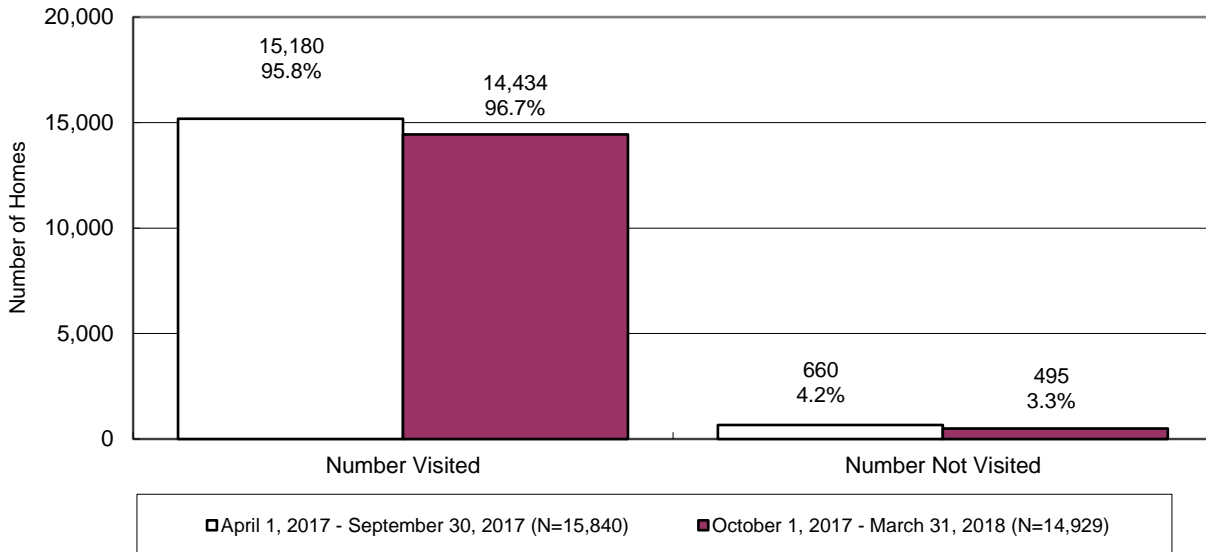
Department policy requires specialists to have face-to-face contact with all parents at least once a month, including any alleged parents and parents residing outside of the child's home where the case plan goal is family reunification. During the current reporting period, there were 5,071 parents who had a child with the case plan goal of reunification. Of those parents requiring visitation, 3,287 (64.8%) received the required visitation. This number does not reflect attempted visitation where contact with the parent(s) did not take place.

CHART 29
NUMBER OF CHILDREN RECEIVING AND NOT RECEIVING VISITATION BY REPORTING PERIOD
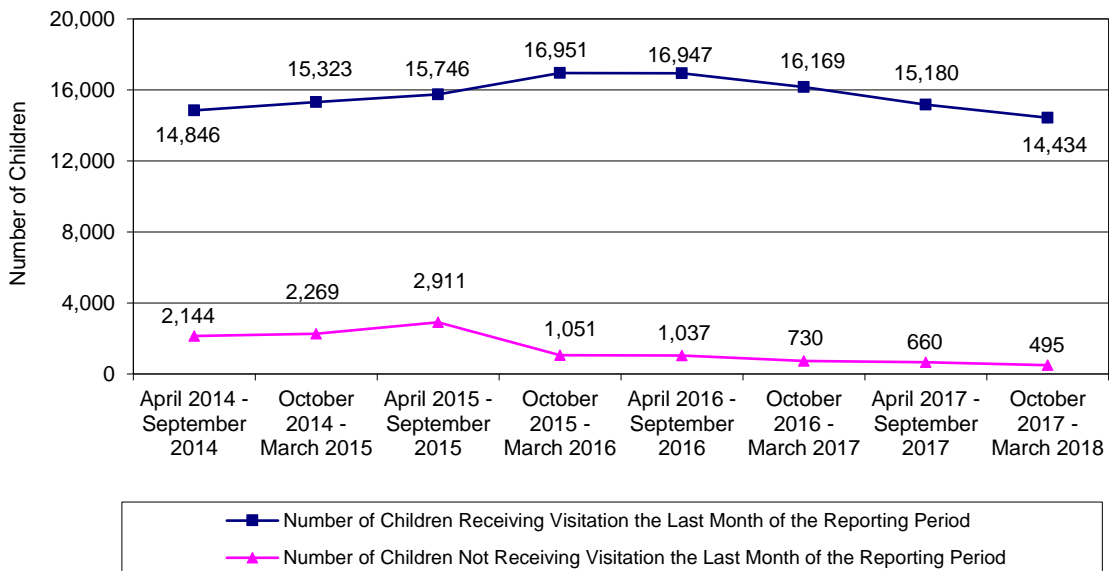
FOSTER HOME LICENSING, CLOSURES, & VISITATION

As of March 31, 2018 there were 5,213[9] foster homes licensed for a total capacity of 10,211 spaces. Of these spaces, 2,734 are reported by contractors to be unavailable for placements. Reasons for this include, but are not limited to, beds held for respite, readiness assessment by the contractor, specific high needs of a child currently placed in the home, foster parents' need for temporary reprieve from placements and investigations or corrective action plans.

Licensed foster homes include family foster homes, professional family foster homes (HCTC homes), respite foster homes, receiving foster homes, and developmentally disabled homes with DCS children placed in them. Foster home licenses specify the age range, gender and maximum number of children that can be placed in a home. Foster parents, in consultation with the licensing worker, decide the type of physical, behavioral, and psychological needs of children they can effectively parent based upon their own skill level, experiences, and desires.

During the current reporting period, 681 new homes were licensed to provide foster care and 945 homes left the system. This compares to 850 new homes being licensed and 1,059 homes leaving the system during the prior reporting period. The following chart gives the reasons for foster home closures for the current reporting period.

CHART 30
REASON FOR FOSTER HOME CLOSURE FOR THE PERIOD OF
OCTOBER 1, 2017 THROUGH MARCH 31, 2018
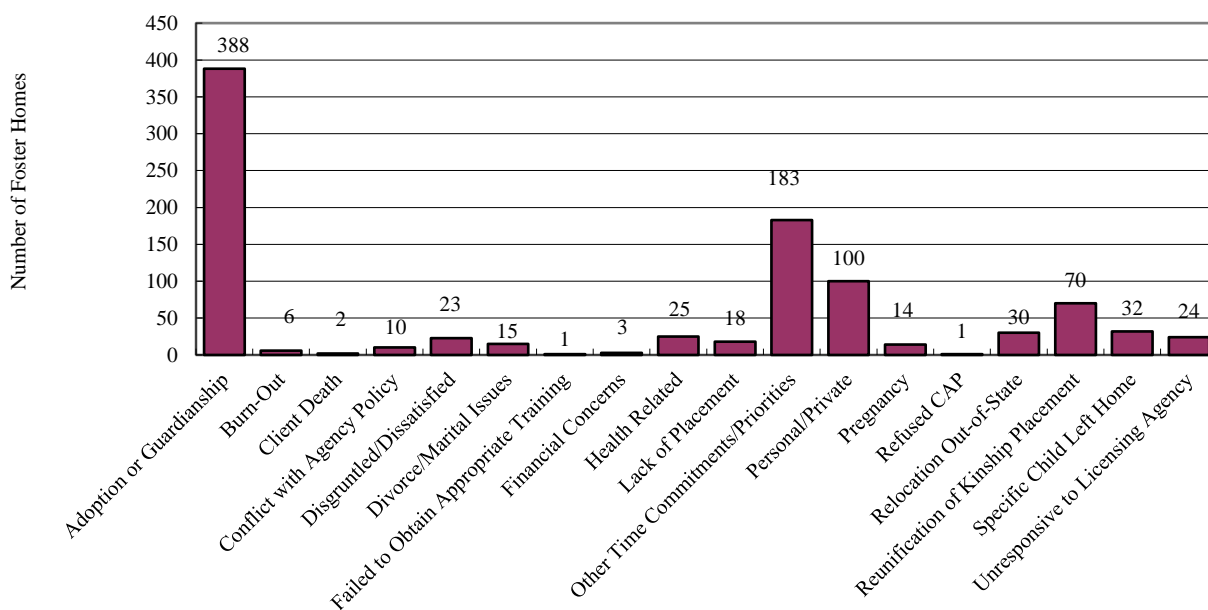
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[9] The number of homes cited in this report differs from the number cited by the Office of Licensing, Certification & Regulation (OLCR) due to the fact that the DCS utilizes both foster homes managed through HRSS contracts as well as homes that are licensed for developmental disabilities, licensed by the tribes, etc.

CHART 31
THE NUMBER AND PERCENTAGE OF FOSTER HOMES WHO RECEIVED THE
REQUIRED VISITATION*
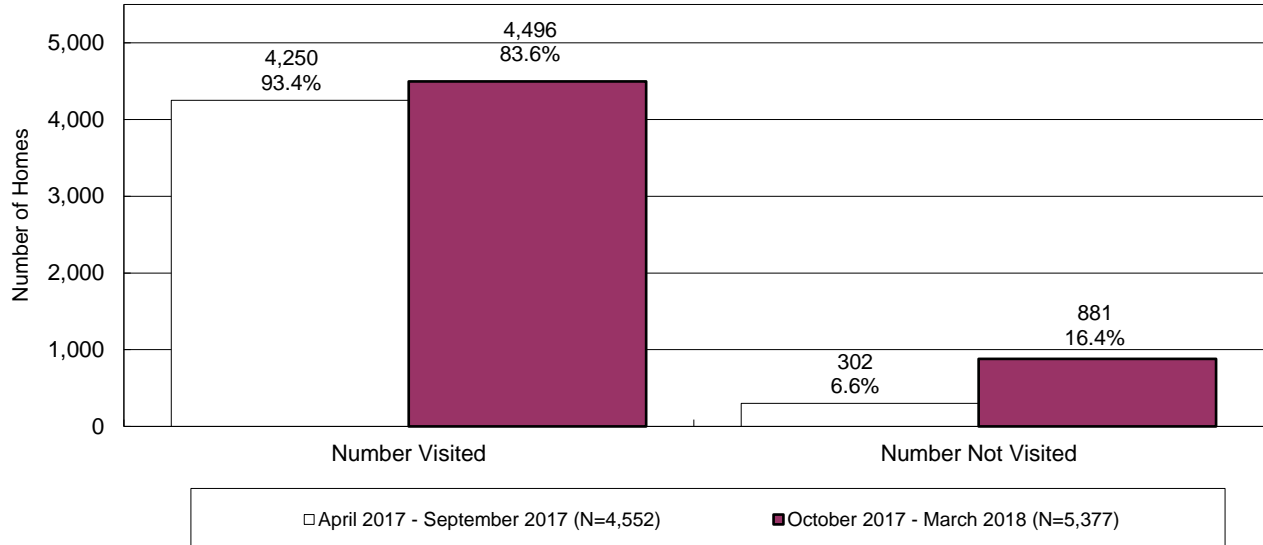
*Required visitations to foster homes, for license monitoring purposes, are performed by licensing agency specialist.

CHILDREN EXITING OUT-OF HOME CARE

Table 35 shows the history of the number of children who left the custody of the Department.

TABLE 35
CHILDREN EXITING OUT-OF-HOME CARE BY PERIOD

REPORTING PERIOD	NUMBER OF CHILDREN DISCHARGED	% CHANGE OVER PRIOR PERIOD
APRIL 2013 – SEPTEMBER 2013	4,805	+2.9%
OCTOBER 2013 – MARCH 2014	4,786	-0.4%
APRIL 2014 – SEPTEMBER 2014	5,042	+5.3%
OCTOBER 2014 – MARCH 2015	5,063	+0.4%
APRIL 2015 – SEPTEMBER 2015	5,555	+9.7%
OCTOBER 2015 – MARCH 2016	5,668	+2.0%
APRIL 2016 – SEPTEMBER 2016	6,377	+12.5%
OCTOBER 2016 – MARCH 2017	6,153	-3.5%
APRIL 2017 – SEPTEMBER 2017	5,874	-4.5%
OCTOBER 2017 – MARCH 2018	5,412	-7.9%

CHART 32
CHILDREN ENTERING AND EXITING OUT-OF-HOME CARE BY REPORTING PERIOD
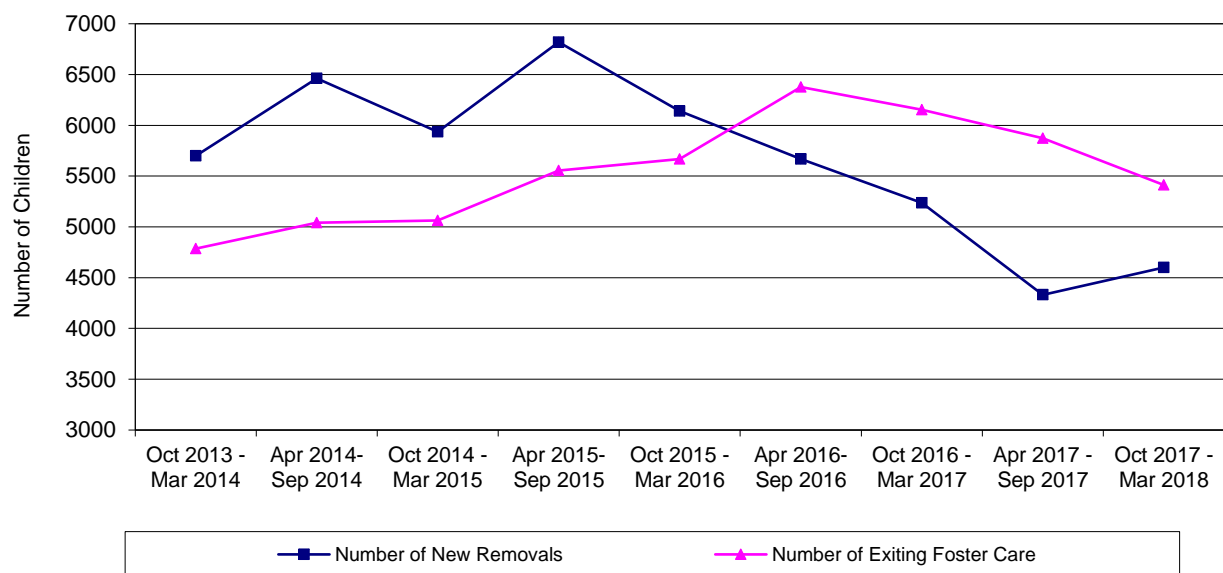
TABLE 36
TOTAL NUMBER OF CHILDREN EXITING DCS CUSTODY FOR THE END OF THE REPORTING PERIOD ENDING ON MARCH 31, 2018

By Age	Number	Percentage
Under 1	241	4.5%
Ages 1 to 5	2,016	37.3%
Ages 6 to 8	806	14.9%
Ages 9 to 12	933	17.2%
Ages 13 to 17	970	17.9%
18 and Over	446	8.2%
Total	**5,412**	**100.0%**

Ethnicity	Number	Percentage
Caucasian	1,926	35.6%
Hispanic	1,852	34.2%
African American	755	14.0%
American Indian	422	7.8%
Asian	73	1.3%
Other	384	7.1%
Total	**5,412**	**100.0%**

By Number of Placements	Number	Percentage
One	2,597	48.0%
Two	1,252	23.1%
Three	721	13.3%
Four	344	6.4%
Five	186	3.4%
More than Five	312	5.8%
Total	**5,412**	**100.0%**

By Length of Time in Care	Number	Percentage
Less than 30 Days	584	10.8%
31 Days to 12 Months	1,454	26.8%
13 to 24 Months	1,789	33.1%
More than 24 Months	1,585	29.3%
Total	**5,412**	**100.0**

	Average	Median
By Age	8.55	7.55
By Number of Placements	2.25	2.00
By Months of Time in Care	18.48	15.86

TABLE 37
NUMBER AND PERCENTAGE OF CHILDREN EXITING DCS CUSTODY
FOR REASON OF "REUNIFICATION WITH PARENTS OR PRIMARY CARETAKER" FOR
THE REPORTING PERIOD ENDING MARCH 31, 2018

By Age	Number	Percentage
Under 1	174	6.8%
Ages 1 to 5	927	36.0%
Ages 6 to 8	415	16.1%
Ages 9 to 12	500	19.4%
Ages 13 to 17	552	21.4%
18 and Over	7	0.3%
Total	**2,575**	**100.0%**

Ethnicity	Number	Percentage
Caucasian	886	34.4%
Hispanic	889	34.5%
African American	356	13.8%
American Indian	210	8.2%
Asian	38	1.5%
Other	196	7.6%
Total	**2,575**	**100.0%**

By Number of Placements	Number	Percentage
One	1,426	55.2%
Two	630	24.5%
Three	285	11.1%
Four	125	4.9%
Five	53	2.1%
More than Five	56	2.2%
Total	**2,575**	**100.0%**

By Length of Time in Care	Number	Percentage
Less than 30 Days	527	20.4%
31 Days to 12 Months	1,076	41.8%
13 to 24 Months	738	28.7%
More than 24 Months	234	9.1%
Total	**2,575**	**100.0%**

	Average	Median
By Age	7.89	7.28
By Number of Placements	1.84	1.00
By Months of Time in Care	10.50	9.21

TABLE 38
NUMBER AND PERCENTAGE OF CHILDREN EXITING DCS CUSTODY
FOR REASON OF "LIVING WITH OTHER RELATIVES" FOR THE REPORTING PERIOD
ENDING MARCH 31, 2018

By Age	Number	Percentage
Under 1	1	6.0%
Ages 1 to 5	4	23.5%
Ages 6 to 8	4	23.5%
Ages 9 to 12	4	23.5%
Ages 13 to 17	4	23.5%
18 and Over	0	0.0%
Total	**17**	**100.0%**

Ethnicity	Number	Percentage
Caucasian	5	29.4%
Hispanic	6	35.3%
African American	1	5.9%
American Indian	1	5.9%
Asian	0	0.0%
Other	4	23.5%
Total	**17**	**100.0%**

By Number of Placements	Number	Percentage
One	11	64.7%
Two	4	23.5%
Three	2	11.8%
Four	0	0.0%
Five	0	0.0%
More than Five	0	0.0%
Total	**17**	**100.0%**

By Length of Time in Care	Number	Percentage
Less than 30 Days	11	64.7%
31 Days to 12 Months	2	11.8%
13 to 24 Months	3	17.6%
More than 24 Months	1	5.9%
Total	**17**	**100.0%**

	Average	Median
By Age	9.00	8.74
By Number of Placements	1.47	1.00
By Months of Time in Care	4.79	.26

TABLE 39
NUMBER AND PERCENTAGE OF CHILDREN EXITING DCS
CUSTODY FOR REASON OF "ADOPTION" FOR THE REPORTING PERIOD
ENDING MARCH 31, 2018

By Age	Number	Percentage
Under 1	49	2.5%
Ages 1 to 5	1,016	52.7%
Ages 6 to 8	331	17.1%
Ages 9 to 12	333	17.2%
Ages 13 to 17	201	10.4%
18 and Over	2	0.1%
Total	**1,932**	**100.0%**

Ethnicity	Number	Percentage
Caucasian	714	37.0%
Hispanic	661	34.2%
African American	265	13.7%
American Indian	122	6.3%
Asian	20	1.0%
Other	150	7.8%
Total	**1,932**	**100.0%**

By Number of Placements	Number	Percentage
One	819	42.3%
Two	486	25.2%
Three	303	15.7%
Four	154	8.0%
Five	79	4.1%
More than Five	91	4.7%
Total	**1,932**	**100.0%**

By Length of Time in Care	Number	Percentage
Less than 30 Days	0	0.0%
31 Days to 12 Months	116	6.0%
13 to 24 Months	811	42.0%
More than 24 Months	1,005	52.0%
Total	**1,932**	**100.0%**

	Average	Median
By Age	6.40	5.32
By Number of Placements	2.26	2.00
By Months of Time in Care	25.95	24.57

TABLE 40
NUMBER AND PERCENTAGE OF CHILDREN EXITING DCS CUSTODY
FOR REASON OF "GUARDIANSHIP" FOR THE REPORTING PERIOD
ENDING MARCH 31, 2018

By Age	Number	Percentage
Under 1	3	0.8%
Ages 1 to 5	46	12.8%
Ages 6 to 8	47	13.1%
Ages 9 to 12	92	25.6%
Ages 13 to 17	171	47.7%
18 and Over	0	0.0%
Total	**359**	**100.0%**

Ethnicity	Number	Percentage
Caucasian	135	37.7%
Hispanic	126	35.1%
African American	52	14.5%
American Indian	35	9.7%
Asian	3	0.8%
Other	8	2.2%
Total	**359**	**100.0%**

By Number of Placements	Number	Percentage
One	213	59.3%
Two	55	15.3%
Three	55	15.3%
Four	10	2.8%
Five	10	2.8%
More than Five	16	4.5%
Total	**359**	**100.0%**

By Length of Time in Care	Number	Percentage
Less than 30 Days	23	6.4%
31 Days to 12 Months	132	36.8%
13 to 24 Months	132	36.8%
More than 24 Months	72	20.0%
Total	**359**	**100.0%**

	Average	Median
By Age	11.77	12.87
By Number of Placements	1.96	1.00
By Months of Time in Care	16.07	14.18

TABLE 41
NUMBER AND PERCENTAGE OF CHILDREN EXITING DCS CUSTODY
FOR REASONS OF "REACHING AGE OF MAJORITY" FOR THE REPORTING PERIOD
ENDING MARCH 31, 2018

By Age	Number	Percentage
Under 1	0	0.0%
Ages 1 to 5	0	0.0%
Ages 6 to 8	0	0.0%
Ages 9 to 12	0	0.0%
Ages 13 to 17	3	0.7%
18 and Over	435	99.3%
Total	**438**	**100.0%**

Ethnicity	Number	Percentage
Caucasian	158	36.0%
Hispanic	153	35.1%
African American	72	16.4%
American Indian	30	6.8%
Asian	11	2.5%
Other	14	3.2%
Total	**438**	**100.0%**

By Number of Placements	Number	Percentage
One	80	18.2%
Two	56	12.9%
Three	67	15.3%
Four	50	11.4%
Five	40	9.2%
More than Five	145	33.0%
Total	**438**	**100.0%**

By Length of Time in Care	Number	Percentage
Less than 30 Days	4	0.9%
31 Days to 12 Months	92	21.0%
13 to 24 Months	82	18.7%
More than 24 Months	260	59.4%
Total	**438**	**100.0%**

	Average	Median
By Age	18.99	18.28
By Number of Placements	4.92	4.00
By Months of Time in Care	36.28	30.48

TABLE 42
NUMBER AND PERCENTAGE OF CHILDREN EXITING DCS CUSTODY
FOR REASON OF "TRANSFER TO ANOTHER AGENCY" FOR THE REPORTING PERIOD
ENDING MARCH 31, 2018

By Age	Number	Percentage
Under 1	13	22.0%
Ages 1 to 5	21	35.6%
Ages 6 to 8	8	13.6%
Ages 9 to 12	4	6.8%
Ages 13 to 17	13	22.0%
18 and Over	0	0.0%
Total	**59**	**100.0%**

Ethnicity	Number	Percentage
Caucasian	17	28.8%
Hispanic	5	8.5%
African American	5	8.5%
American Indian	20	33.9%
Asian	1	1.7%
Other	11	18.6%
Total	**59**	**100.0%**

By Number of Placements	Number	Percentage
One	36	61.0%
Two	12	20.3%
Three	4	6.8%
Four	3	5.1%
Five	2	3.4%
More than Five	2	3.4%
Total	**59**	**100.0%**

By Length of Time in Care	Number	Percentage
Less than 30 Days	12	20.3%
31 Days to 12 Months	29	49.2%
13 to 24 Months	13	22.0%
More than 24 Months	5	8.5%
Total	**59**	**100.0%**

	Average	Median
By Age	6.63	4.67
By Number of Placements	1.81	1.00
By Months of Time in Care	8.58	3.29

TABLE 43
NUMBER AND PERCENTAGE OF CHILDREN EXITING DCS CUSTODY
FOR REASON OF "RUNAWAY" FOR THE REPORTING PERIOD
ENDING MARCH 31, 2018

By Age	Number	Percentage
Under 1	0	0.0%
Ages 1 to 5	0	0.0%
Ages 6 to 8	0	0.0%
Ages 9 to 12	0	0.0%
Ages 13 to 17	24	92.3%
18 and Over	2	7.7%
Total	**26**	**100.0%**

Ethnicity	Number	Percentage
Caucasian	8	30.8%
Hispanic	12	46.2%
African American	3	11.5%
American Indian	2	7.7%
Asian	0	0.0%
Other	1	3.8%
Total	**26**	**100.0%**

By Number of Placements	Number	Percentage
One	11	42.3%
Two	6	23.1%
Three	3	11.5%
Four	2	7.7%
Five	2	7.7%
More than Five	2	7.7%
Total	**26**	**100.0%**

By Length of Time in Care	Number	Percentage
Less than 30 Days	7	26.9%
31 Days to 12 Months	5	19.2%
13 to 24 Months	8	30.8%
More than 24 Months	6	23.1%
Total	**26**	**100.0%**

	Average	Median
By Age	16.82	16.78
By Number of Placements	2.50	2.00
By Months of Time in Care	15.05	13.75

TABLE 44
NUMBER AND PERCENTAGE OF CHILDREN EXITING DCS CUSTODY
FOR REASON OF "DEATH OF CHILD" FOR THE REPORTING PERIOD ENDING
MARCH 31, 2018

By Age	Number	Percentage
Under 1	1	16.7%
Ages 1 to 5	2	33.3%
Ages 6 to 8	1	16.7%
Ages 9 to 12	0	0.0%
Ages 13 to 17	2	33.3%
18 and Over	0	0.0%
Total	**6**	**100.0%**

Ethnicity	Number	Percentage
Caucasian	3	50.0%
Hispanic	0	0.0%
African American	1	16.7%
American Indian	2	33.3%
Asian	0	0.0%
Other	0	0.0%
Total	**6**	**100.0%**

By Number of Placements	Number	Percentage
One	1	16.7%
Two	3	50.0%
Three	2	33.3%
Four	0	0.0%
Five	0	0.0%
More than Five	0	0.0%
Total	**6**	**100.0%**

By Length of Time in Care	Number	Percentage
Less than 30 Days	0	0.0%
31 Days to 12 Months	2	33.3%
13 to 24 Months	2	33.3%
More than 24 Months	2	33.4%
Total	**6**	**100.0%**

*18 and over are not included as they are not in the legal custody of the Department.

	Average	Median
By Age	7.16	5.71
By Number of Placements	2.17	2.00
By Months of Time in Care	25.38	17.37

TABLE 45
CHILDREN EXITING CARE FOR REASON OF DEATH BY CAUSE OF DEATH,
PLACEMENT TYPE AT TIME OF DEATH, AND COUNTY

COUNTY	CAUSE OF DEATH	TYPE OF PLACEMENT AT TIME OF DEATH
MARICOPA	SHUNT MALFUNCTION	GROUP HOME
MARICOPA	PENDING OME REPORT	GROUP HOME
MARICOPA	ASPHYXIA DUE TO OBSTRUCTED AIRWAY	DDD FOSTER HOME
MOHAVE	LYMPHOMA	FAMILY FOSTER HOME
PIMA	ENCEPHOLOPATHY	FAMILY FOSTER HOME
PINAL	COMPLICATIONS FROM CEREBRAL PALSY	FAMILY FOSTER HOME

*18 and over are not included as they are not in the legal custody of the Department.

TABLE 46
NUMBER OF CHILDREN IN AN OPEN OR ACTIVE CHILD SAFETY SERVICES CASE WHO
DIED AS A RESULT OF ABUSE AS CATEGORIZED BY THE CUSTODIAL RELATIONSHIP
AND COUNTY FOR THE PERIOD OCTOBER 1, 2017 THROUGH MARCH 31, 2018

| COUNTY	BIOLOGICAL PARENT(S)	OTHER FAMILY MEMBER	ADOPTIVE PARENT(S)	FOSTER CARE PARENT(S)	OTHER OUT-OF-HOME CARE PROVIDER	TOTAL	% OF TOTAL
APACHE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0%
COCHISE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0%
COCONINO	0	0	0	0	0	0	0%
GILA	0	0	0	0	0	0	0%
GRAHAM	0	0	0	0	0	0	0%
GREENLEE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0%
LA PAZ	0	0	0	0	0	0	0%
MARICOPA	3	0	0	0	0	3	50.00%
MOHAVE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0%
NAVAJO	0	0	0	0	0	0	0%
PIMA	1	0	0	0	0	1	16.70%
PINAL	2	0	0	0	0	2	33.30%
SANTA CRUZ	0	0	0	0	0	0	0%
YAVAPAI	0	0	0	0	0	0	0%
YUMA	0	0	0	0	0	0	0%
STATEWIDE	6	0	0	0	0	6	100%
% OF TOTAL	100%	0%	0%	0%	0%	100%	

The number of child maltreatment deaths presented in the Semi-Annual Report is not comparable to child maltreatment deaths reported on the website by the Arizona Department of Child Safety (ADCS).

- DCS posts information in accordance with A.R.S. § 8-807 on child fatalities due to abuse or neglect by the child's parent, custodian or caregiver at: https://dcs.az.gov/news/child-fatalities-near-fatalities-information-releases.
- This information is posted when the information comes to DCS's attention and a final determination of the fatality due to abuse or neglect has been made by either a substantiated finding or specific criminal charges filed against a parent, guardian or caregiver for causing the fatality.
- The information that comes to DCS's attention and the determination of the fatality due to abuse or neglect may occur sometime after the actual incident for a number of reasons including a determination by a medical professional, a medical examiner, or a criminal child abuse arrest and charge of the perpetrator.

CHILDREN WITH CASE PLAN GOALS OF ADOPTION

Of the 14,929 children in out-of-home care on March 31, 2018, there were 4,476 or 30 percent who had a case plan goal of adoption. The age and ethnicity of the children with a case plan goal of adoption are displayed in Chart 36 and Chart 37.

CHART 33
THE PLACEMENT AND NUMBER OF CHILDREN WITH A CASE PLAN GOAL OF ADOPTION BY AGE
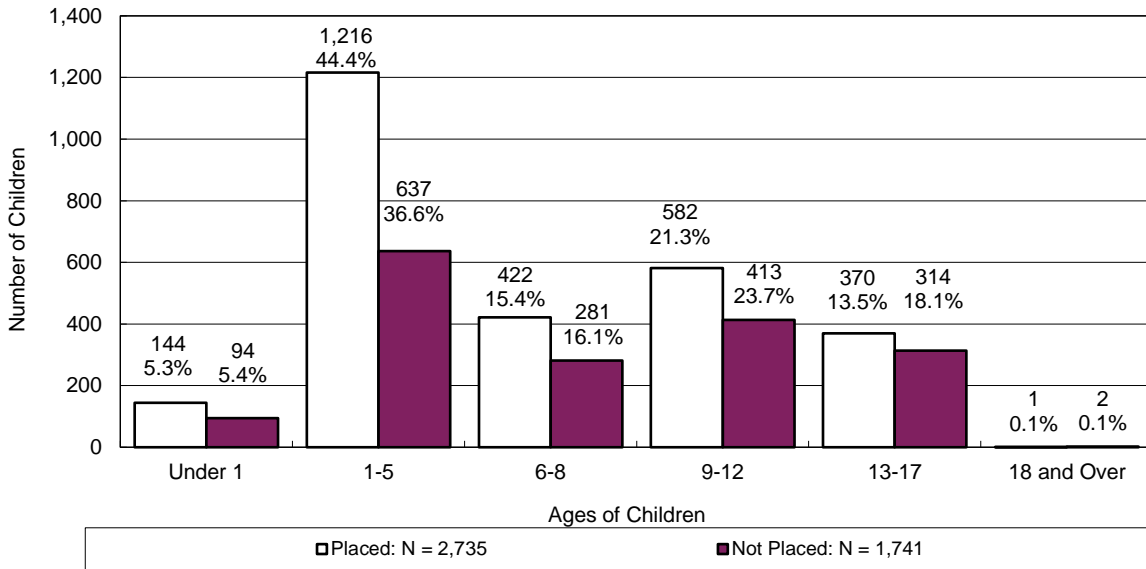
CHART 34
THE PLACEMENT AND NUMBER OF CHILDREN WITH A CASE PLAN GOAL OF ADOPTION BY ETHNICITY
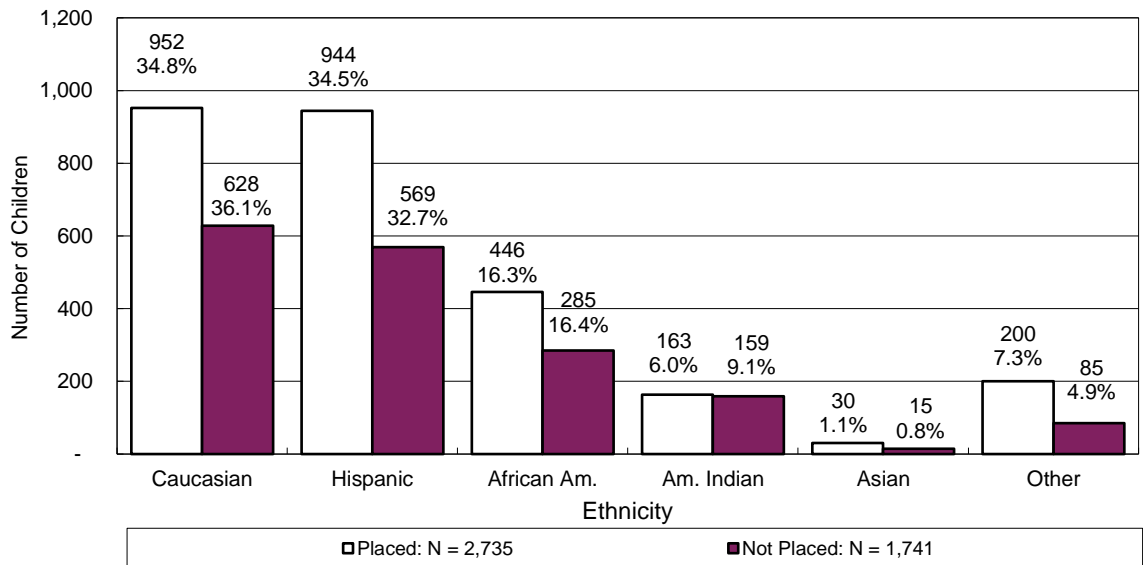
TABLE 47
NUMBER OF CHILDREN WITH A PETITION FOR TERMINATION OF PARENTAL RIGHTS BY COUNTY FOR THE PERIOD OCTOBER 1, 2017 THROUGH MARCH 31, 2018

COUNTY	TERMINATION OF RIGHTS GRANTED	TERMINATION OF RIGHTS DENIED	TERMINATION OF RIGHTS GRANTED IN PART/DENIED IN PART	TERMINATION OF RIGHTS WITHDRAWN	TOTAL	% OF TOTAL
APACHE	5	0	0	0	5	0.1%
COCHISE	81	0	0	0	81	2.7%
COCONINO	29	0	0	0	29	1.0%
GILA	19	0	0	0	19	0.6%
GRAHAM	18	0	0	0	18	0.6%
GREENLEE	2	0	0	0	2	0.1%
LA PAZ	3	0	0	0	3	0.1%
MARICOPA	1,640	3	0	5	1,648	54.7%
MOHAVE	194	2	0	0	196	6.5%
NAVAJO	11	0	0	0	11	0.4%
PIMA	651	1	0	0	652	21.6%
PINAL	242	0	0	0	242	8.0%
SANTA CRUZ	5	0	0	0	5	0.2%
YAVAPAI	66	0	0	0	66	2.2%
YUMA	36	0	0	0	36	1.2%
STATEWIDE	3,002	6	0	5	3,013	100%
% OF TOTAL	99.6%	0.2%	0.0%	0.2%	100.0%	

The average length of time that a child with a case plan goal of "adoption" has spent in out-of-home care is 2 years and 58 days.

TABLE 48
PLACEMENT INFORMATION FOR CHILDREN WITH A CASE PLAN GOAL OF ADOPTION

	Placements
Average	2.84
Median	2
Range Minimum	1
Range Maximum	48

CHART 35
THE PLACEMENT AND NUMBER OF CHILDREN WITH A CASE PLAN GOAL OF ADOPTION BY LEGAL STATUS
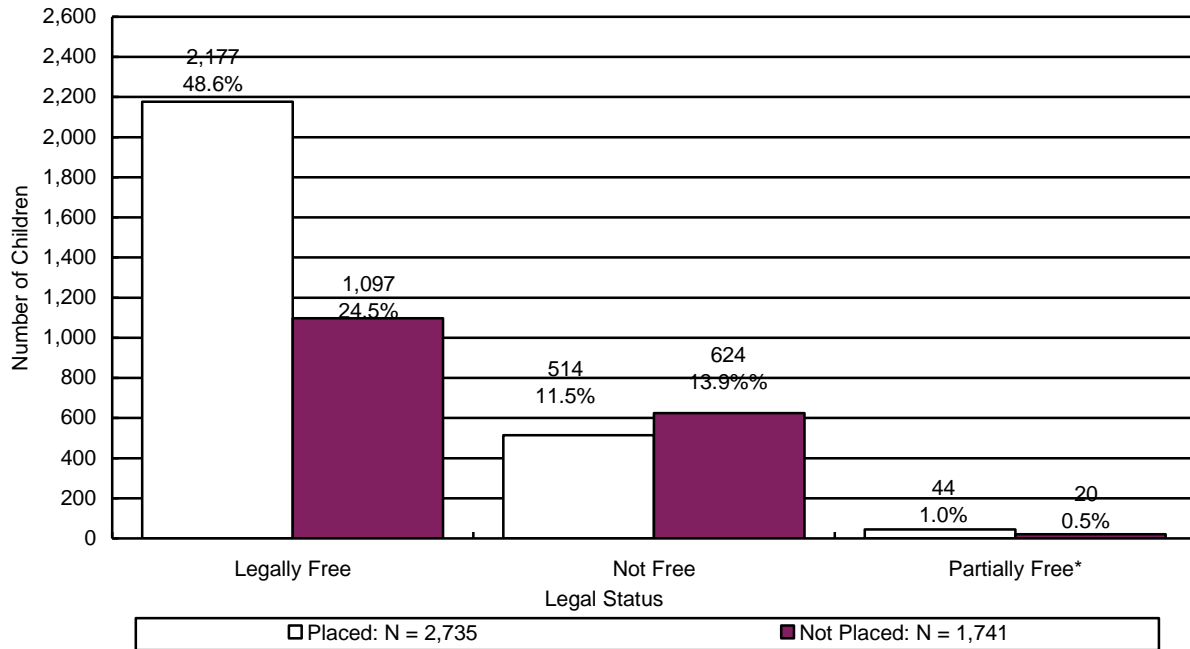
*Partially free refers to a situation where only one of the parent's rights has been severed.

CHART 36
THE NUMBER OF CHILDREN WITH A CASE PLAN GOAL OF ADOPTION BY LENGTH OF TIME FROM CHANGE OF CASE PLAN GOAL OF ADOPTION TO ADOPTIVE PLACEMENT
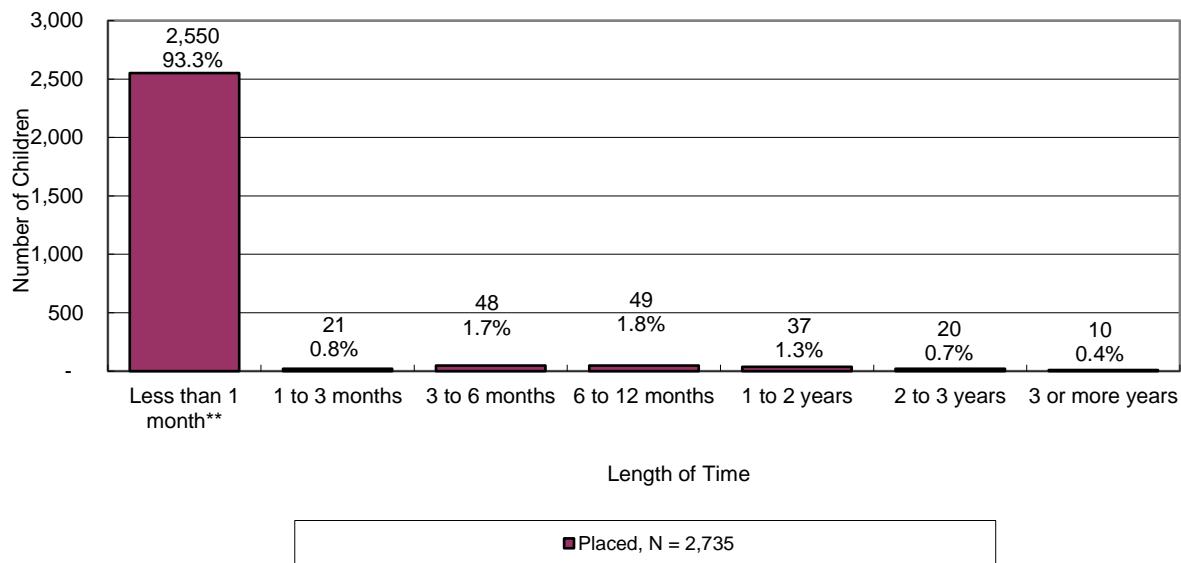
CHART 37
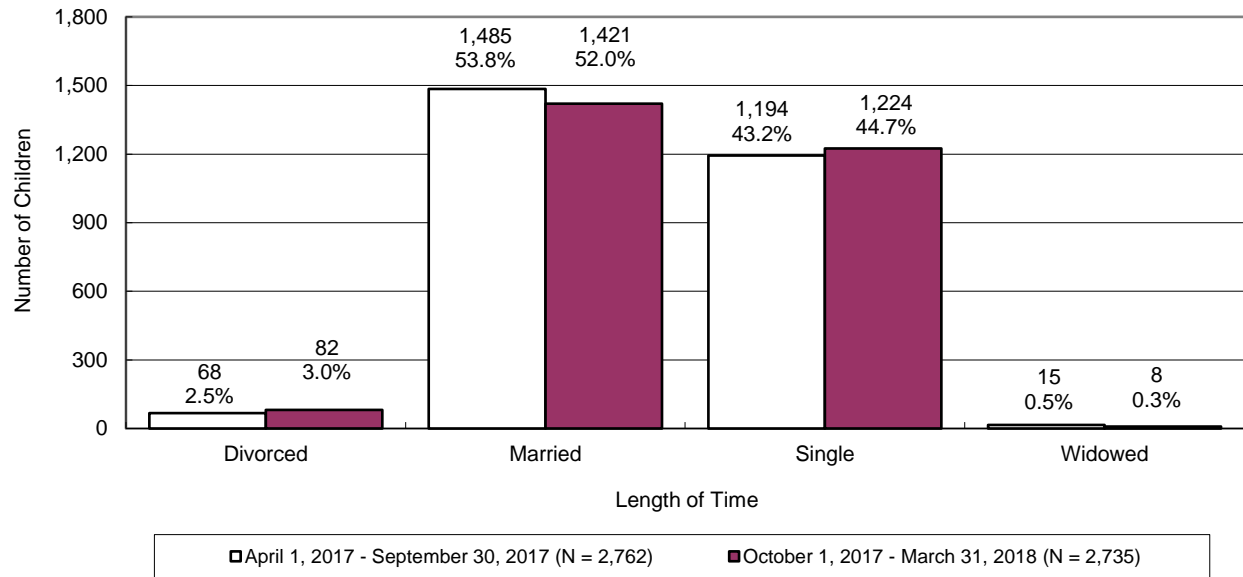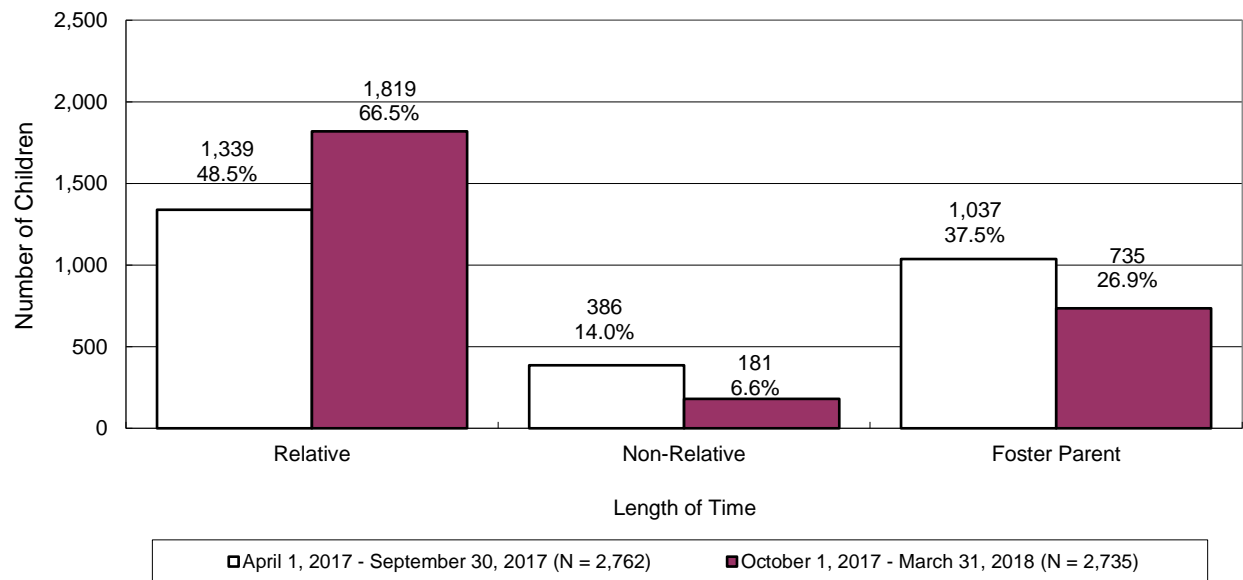**THE NUMBER OF CHILDREN WITH A CASE PLAN GOAL OF ADOPTION WHO WERE IN AN ADOPTIVE PLACEMENT BY THE MARITAL STATUS OF THE ADOPTIVE PARENT**

CHART 38
THE NUMBER OF CHILDREN WITH A CASE PLAN GOAL OF ADOPTION WHO WERE IN AN ADOPTIVE PLACEMENT BY THE RELATIONSHIP OF THE ADOPTIVE PARENT

DISRUPTIONS

TABLE 49
THE NUMBER OF CHILDREN WITH A CASE PLAN GOAL OF ADOPTION WHO WERE IN AN ADOPTIVE PLACEMENT AND DISRUPTED BY AGE AND ETHNICITY

By Age	Number	Percentage
Under 1	0	0.0%
Ages 1 – 5	1	12.5%
Ages 6 – 8	0	0.0%
Ages 9 – 12	6	75.0%
Ages 13 – 17	1	12.5%
18 and Over	0	0.0%
Total	**8**	**100.0%**
Ethnicity	**Number**	**Percentage**
Caucasian	3	37.5%
Hispanic	5	62.5%
African American	0	0.0%
American Indian	0	0.0%
Asian	0	0.0%
Other	0	0.0%
Total	**8**	**100.0%**

CHART 39
THE NUMBER OF CHILDREN WITH A CASE PLAN GOAL OF ADOPTION WHO WERE IN AN ADOPTIVE PLACEMENT AND DISRUPTED BY THE MARITAL STATUS OF THE ADOPTIVE PARENT
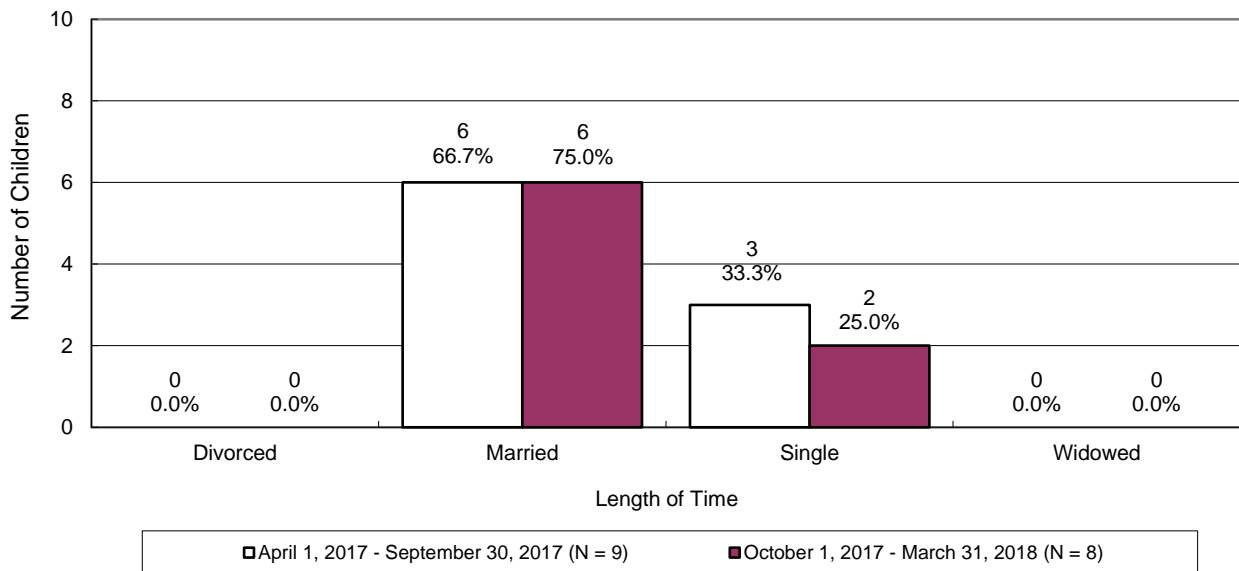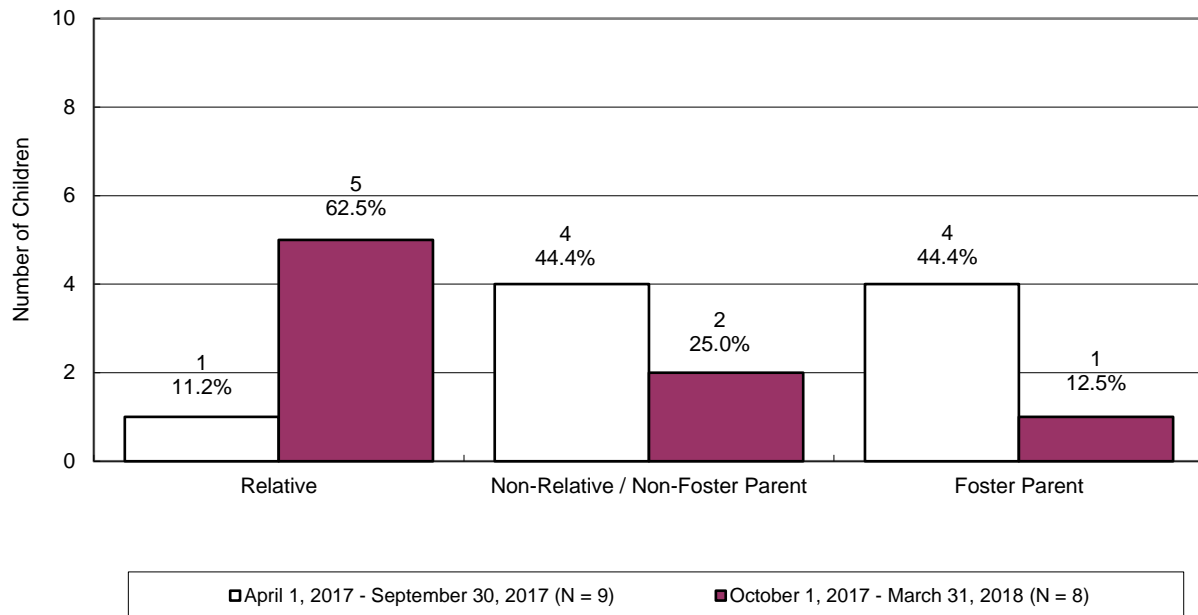

April 1, 2017 - September 30, 2017 (N = 9)   October 1, 2017 - March 31, 2018 (N = 8)

CHART 40
THE NUMBER OF CHILDREN WITH A CASE PLAN GOAL OF ADOPTION WHO WERE IN AN ADOPTIVE PLACEMENT AND DISRUPTED BY THE RELATIONSHIP OF THE ADOPTIVE PARENT

Legend: □ April 1, 2017 - September 30, 2017 (N = 9)   ■ October 1, 2017 - March 31, 2018 (N = 8)

ADOPTIVE SERVICES
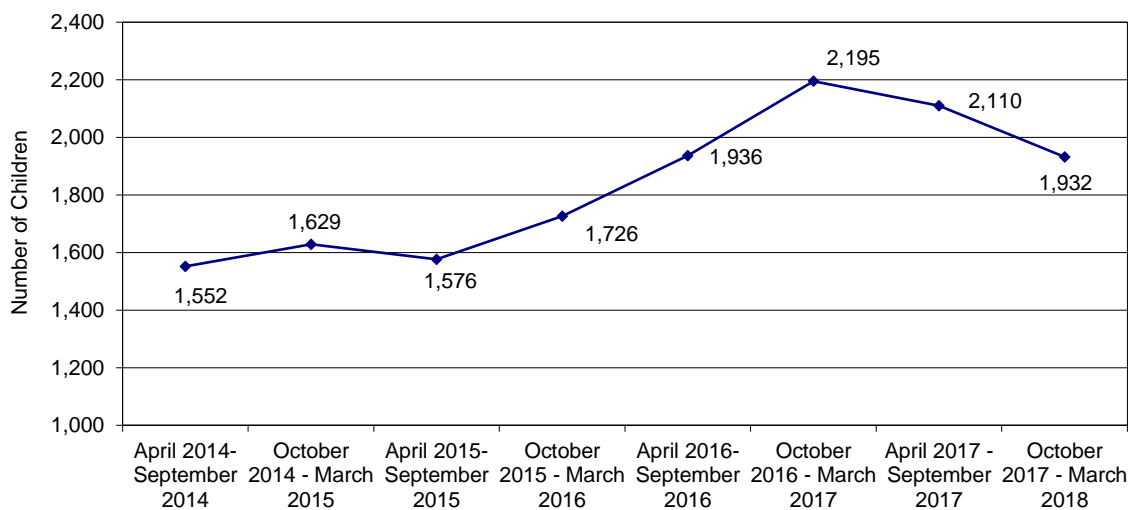
CHART 41
THE NUMBER OF CHILDREN WITH A FINALIZED ADOPTION

CHART 42
THE NUMBER AND PERCENTAGE OF CHILDREN WITH A FINALIZED ADOPTION BY AVERAGE LENGTH OF TIME IN OUT-OF-HOME PLACEMENT BEFORE ADOPTIVE PLACEMENT
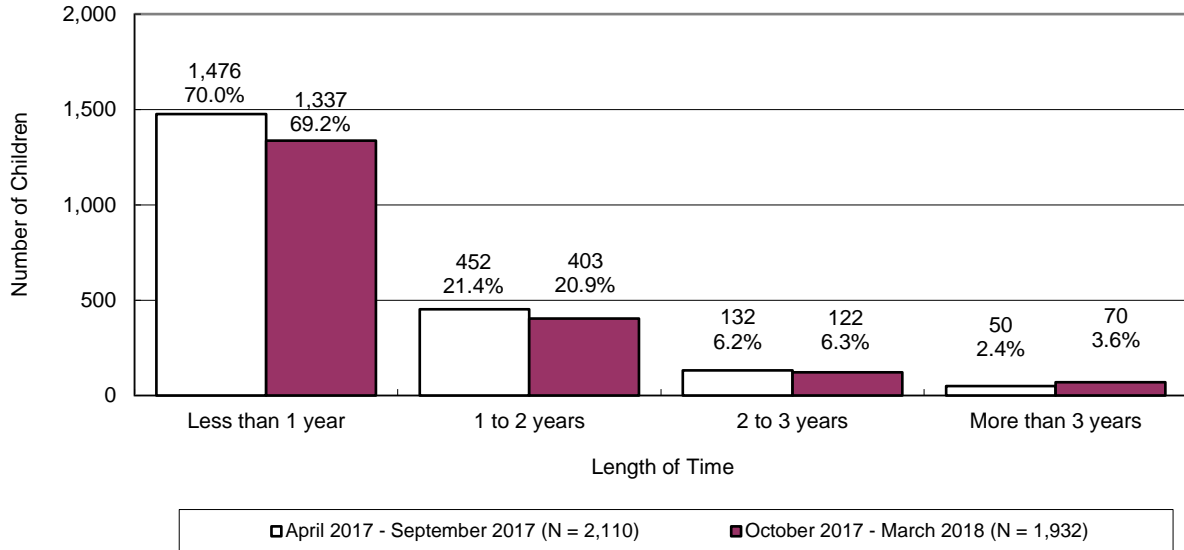

CHART 43
THE NUMBER AND PERCENTAGE OF CHILDREN WITH A FINALIZED ADOPTION BY AVERAGE LENGTH OF TIME IN ADOPTIVE PLACEMENT BEFORE THE FINAL ORDER OF ADOPTION
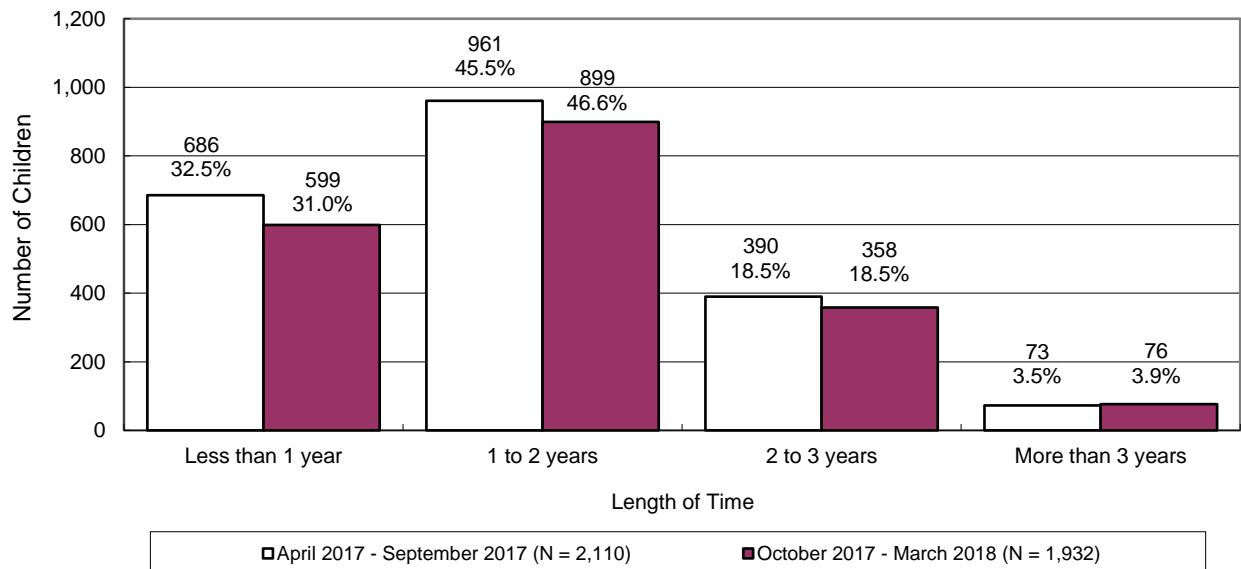
CHART 44
THE NUMBER OF CHILDREN WITH A FINALIZED ADOPTION BY THE MARITAL STATUS OF THE ADOPTIVE PARENT

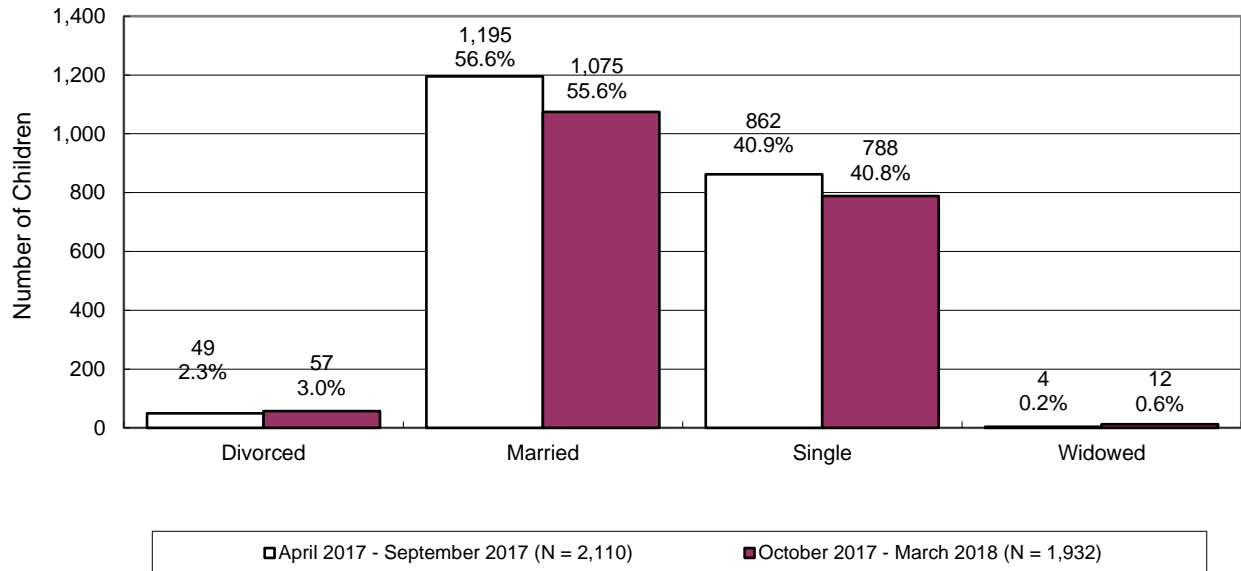April 2017 - September 2017 (N = 2,110)   October 2017 - March 2018 (N = 1,932)

CHART 45
THE NUMBER OF CHILDREN WITH A FINALIZED ADOPTION BY THE RELATIONSHIP OF THE ADOPTIVE PARENT TO THE CHILD

April 2017 - September 2017 (N = 2,110)   October 2017 - March 2018 (N = 1,932)